Shoreham Beach Residents' Association - Minutes of meeting

The following is a summary of the minutes of the SBRA committee meeting held on February 2nd, 2023, at the Harbour Club.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY, 2023 MINUTES: Proposed by Jonathan Sargent & Seconded by Joyce Willson.

MATTERS ARISING:

AGM Planning. As a change, the meeting will start at 12 noon on March 4th, 2023 in the hall at the Church of the Good Shepherd Hall. Our guests will be Tim Loughton MP & Cllr Kevin Boram WSCC, representative for Shoreham South.

Boxpark. We understand that the planning consent has now expired and SBRA will be asking ADC about the future for Beach Green and its facilities.

BEACH NEWS AND WEBSITE: The Spring issue will be delivered from mid-March.

FINANCIAL REPORT. Val advised our bank stands at £15661.83. We discussed the news that NatWest in Shoreham is about to close. We are aware that a "banking hub" may be offered for the town. Members are concerned how this might impact upon how our Association's subscriptions might be collected in future. Various suggestions were discussed.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Beach Planning updates: Maureen had circulated members prior to our meeting, with details of current and ongoing applications.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

Cllr Joss Loader circulated a joint report and Julia Watts offered her input as follows:

GAS MAINS WORK: This has now started in Falcon Close and a welfare compound has been set up. There is ongoing work in nearby roads – the project is scheduled to last 22 weeks.

GRAFFITI: This is a continuing issue. Joss has reported multiple incidents of graffiti in Harbour Way, Cheal Close, and near the junction with Shingle Road. Please report anything you spot via the Adur Council's website. Road signs and cable boxes are popular targets.
The Head Teacher has been in touch and the school seeks to gauge levels of support for a community space within the school. This will be used to support their funding bids. A survey will be run in the next issue of Beach News.
FORT ACCESS RAMP to Soldiers' Point Beach: The EA still says this will be opened but no timescales given.
ADUR RECREATION GROUND: Julia and Joss walked around the site with two ADC Rangers. They suggested more wild-flower planting and trees. They also requested the wild-flower beds on Beach Green should be refreshed and discussed the proposed cycle track for Adur Rec.
HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL SERVICE: Julia and Joss both attended this on Friday, January 27th.
BEACH PATROLS: We are due to get a service run from the beach office in Worthing during the Summer period. This proposal awaits sign-off from ADC and more details will follow.
SBNF's Neighbourhood Plan: Julia and Joss attended a meeting with Adur Planning officers, Adur's lawyer and a couple of cabinet members regarding the NP and then a meeting with some of the Committee including the Consultant, Mike Gibson. It was agreed to await the outcome of their AGM before taking any decisions.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Joss had noticed that over spilt shingle was compromising the pavement near Mardyke. She will request that it's swept.

Meeting closed at 8.20pm - Next meeting on March 9th, 2023