SHOREHAM BEACH RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The following is a summary of the minutes of the committee meeting held on January 2, 2020.

1. **Apologies for absence:**

2. **Approval of November, 2019 Minutes:**
   Proposed by: Pat Hand. Seconded by: Joyce Willson.

3. **Matters Arising:**
   i] SBRA published a notice in the latest edition of Beach News advising members of the resignation of Cllr Dave Collins from the Association.

   ii] SBRA committee members had voted for Cllr Joss Loader to lead a new alliance of three independent ADC councillors. This has now been confirmed and consequently, Joss will retain her place and vice-chairmanship of ADC's JOSC and has also taken a seat on Planning.

   iii] Maurice referred to the recent incident when a tracked digger had been driven onto the Beach Nature Reserve near The Burrell's roundabout threatening protected wildlife and plantlife. Joss reported this to the Council whose Rangers attended and advised accordingly.

   iv] SBRA's notice-board at West Beach Parade has been well refurbished at reasonable cost.

4. **Beach News & Website:**
   Beach News – Winter edition – was delivered on time and John Bradshaw and thanked the distribution volunteers with Christmas cards.

5. Social Report:

Joyce advised Members on details relating to both the SBRA Tea on March 28th and the SBRA coach trip to Parliament 27th April, both of which are being well supported so far. Joan specifically asked for the loan of teapots for the 'TEA"tables.
Joyce took orders from members who needed A4 Notices for advertising the SBRA's AGM on February 22nd., and appealed to Committee members to assist if possible with setting up and taking down table & chairs etc at the Association's events.

Non-SBRA groups' events:
Other community groups' websites are updated regularly, so we ask our members to use these hyperlinks to check for latest information.

FRIENDS OF SHOREHAM BEACH [FoSB]
http://www.fosbeach.com Monday, February 10th, 7pm AGM at the Yacht Club on the Brighton Road.

Church of the Good Shepherd:
http://goodshepherdshorehambeach.org.uk

SHOREHAM FORT [FoSF]:
https://www.shorehamfort.co.uk
Sundays: 12th Jan; 26th Jan; 9th Feb are all

"Find out more Days" Start time 11am.

6. Financial Report:

Julia provided a copy of SBRA's bank statement, detailing all recent transactions and stating a balance at £16,420.42.

7. Sub-Committee Reports:

7.1 Planning:

Maureen had sent her apologies for absence however

there was little planning to update for the Beach areat for the Meeting noting the Christmas period. Joss advised that she spoke at Planning to support the Fort's new "Trench" that has now been approved by ADC.

The Sussex Wildlife Trust inspected the site, prior to planning consent, and raised no objection.

7.2 Beach Green Toilet Block Update:

Joss confirmed there was little news about the progress of BoxPark's approved application for Beach Green. Joss will follow up. The meeting discussed the poor state, and lack, of public lavatories on Shoreham Beach.

Joss asked Tony for an update to the Neighbourhood Forum's activities. He advised that an application for re-designation is pending.

8. Councillor's Report:

Cllr Joss Loader reported on events pertinent to Beach affairs over the last two months:
Emerald Quay slipway has now been opened whereas the Fort ramp remains closed although it forms part of the public Right of Way. The Environment Agency are aware and working with the port authority and ADC to resolve.

ADC has published a "Houseboats Guide" but without referral to the Houseboats Association. Joss has arranged a meeting with ADC.

Joss attended a meeting about the Adur Recreation Ground's BMX track proposals but, as yet, funding it seems to be the main issue.

School transport: Beach students at Robert Woodard [Sompting] are experiencing problems with the bus service.

County Council. Parents, pupils and ADC councillors continue to seek a better solution from the transport provider as those pupils not arriving on time for school and being subsequently chastised for something over which they have no control is clearly unfair and counter-productive.

Joss referred to a member's observation about an Insurance company quoting fears over the threat of sea erosion to the Beach community within the next 50 years. She referred this to the Environment Agency whose reponse confirmed that their ongoing action of shingle removal etc., was adequately managing the current position. Four Sussex beaches were mentioned by the insurance company: Shoreham's included.

Issues caused by unsociable drivers who damage kerbs and, specifically, a flowerbed at the Fort prompted reaction from the meeting.

9. Any Other Business:

John advised that WSCC has changed the "seasonal" nature of parking restrictions on the Beach to, be in the future, of a non-seasonal nature to be less complicated & permanent in their entirety.

Maurice suggested that the lights on the Zebra crossing adjacent to the Waterside Public House [Riverside Road] still are not working, and potentially dangerous during long Winter nights. Joss promised to follow this up again and report back.

There being no further business to discuss the Meeting closed at 9.10pm.

The Chair thanked all Members for their attendance and wished them a happy New Year.

NEXT MEETING: FEBRUARY 6TH , 2020