SHOREHAM BEACH RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The following is a summary of the minutes of the SBRA committee, held on March 4th, 2021, via Zoom.

1. **APOLOGIES:**

2. **APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY MINUTES**
Proposed by Maureen Ashley & Seconded by John Bradshaw.

3. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Chair: Cllr. Joss Loader.
Proposed by David Johnson & Seconded by Maureen Ashley.

Vice-Chair: Julia Watts.
Proposed by Joss Loader & Seconded by Tony Wallington.

Social Secretary: Joyce Willson.
Proposed by Joss Loader & Seconded by David Johnson.

Treasurer: Julia Watts.
Proposed by Liza McKinney & Seconded by Pat Hand.

Minutes Secretary:
Proposed by Joss Loader & Seconded by Joyce Willson.

4. **MATTERS ARISING:**
Julia expressed her concerns that she was rather stretched with her three posts for the Association and asked if, not immediately, she might be relieved of the Treasurer's position. The meeting concurred and the post will be advertised in due course.

John Bradshaw was concerned that a quantity of sand has been blown from Silver Sands against nearby properties although he has heard no complaints from local residents. Joss confirmed that the EA is working with FoSB to address various concerns.

SBNF: The requested update from Mike Whelan – Forum Secretary – has been received for Beach News. The forum is due to present its re-designation application to the Joint Strategic Committee next month.

5. **ELECTION PLANNING:**
Joss had previously circulated news from 'IN' - Independent Network - advising that independents & smaller parties have been offered new guidance about elections, especially the freedom to campaign by engagement and to post campaign leaflets through doors without the risk of being fined. This places independents more on an equal footing to the larger parties. This was welcomed by our Agent, John

Bradshaw. Joss who will be standing again for the Marine Ward. ADC's candidates/agents meeting due for March 17th will be attended by Joss, Maureen and John. The date for elections is May 6th and includes those for County Councils and Police Commissioners' Office.

6. BEACH NEWS & WEBSITE:

The Spring issue is being prepared and Joss suggested it should be returned from printing in about two weeks.

A discussion ensued about the profitability of Beach News and website costs. Joss said that in previous years BN has always returned a small profit and the current issue is on course to do the same. We only lost revenue in 2020 because we supported our local businesses by waiving fees in the March issue and subsidising advertising in the Summer and Autumn. This was partially offset by Bob and Pauline Toon's generous donation of £1k.

7. SOCIAL REPORT:

Joyce wished to advise that she was still holding deposit cash from residents who'd booked SBRA outings for last year before the Covid-19's lockdown prevented them going ahead.

8. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Julia confirmed our bank at £14,780.40 and Cash at £56.

9. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING APPLICATIONS – Maureen confirmed that 66 Old Fort Road went to and was declined by the Planning Committee otherwise there was very little to report.

BEACH GREEN TOILET BLOCK UPDATE –

Joss confirmed BoxPark have yet to lodge a licensing application, although we believe it is imminent. Their planning consent runs until November 2022.

10. Cllr JOSS LOADER REPORTS:

BEACH SAFETY AUDIT: Joss thanked Josh Baxendale for arranging a meeting about beach safety. In the absence of Josh tonight, Joss said they discussed the bad behaviours of some visitors noting the parking that occurred last year. . It was clear that beach patrols, similar to those held on Worthing's beaches, was now necessary and important. The RNLI , as an emergency service, only responds to threatened danger to life, not patrolling.

As WSCC will not be painting further double -yellow lines, beach residents need to push for extra enforcement against illegal parking, supported by Joss.

ROLL OUT of TEMPORARY BINS. Issues with overflowing bins have started earlier than usual as a result of the high numbers of walkers in the area in the clement early Spring weather. She contacted ADC's refuse department on Monday morning and they are now installing more than100 temporary bins along the coast between

Goring and Southwick. At her request, extra bins are being placed at the Adur Rec, as well as the usual Beach hotspots.

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT REVIEW: Cllr Kevin Boram has confirmed that WSCC is unlikely to impose new parking restrictions in time for this Summer, so Joss and Kevin will both press hard for greater enforcement.

NEW PLANTERS ON THE CYCLE LANE, SOUTH OF THE BEACH HUTS: These have now been installed at the Western end. They are "recycled" according to ADC! Two residents have offered to paint them and Joss is currently securing permission for them to do so. She suggested that SBRA offers to reimburse these public-spirited residents for the cost of the paint/materials and the committee agreed.

TAXIS: Ongoing complaints and issues. Kevin Boram and Joss have had two further meetings with the licensing team since the last SBRA update and she was delighted to say that she had managed to resolve two outstanding complaints for drivers. More strategic improvements have also been secured.

BMX TRACK – A community group is still keen to create a new facility on a northern section of Adur Rec and has won widespread support. They are now working with the Council to ensure more formal consultation goes ahead.

11.ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business, Joss closed the meeting at 8.40pm

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 1ST, 2021 AT 7.30PM