Shoreham Beach Residents' Association - Minutes of meeting

The following is a summary of the draft minutes of the Shoreham Beach Residents' Association committee meeting held on March 6th, 2024 at the Harbour Club.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS for 2024;
The following members were re-elected.
Chair: Cllr Joss Loader
Vice Chair: Cllr Julia Watts
Treasurer: Val Veal
Minutes Secretary: Tony Wallington
Proposed by: Joan Moore and seconded by: Keith Ferrers-Morrissey

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2024 MINUTES: Proposed by: Joyce Willson and seconded by: John Bradshaw.

MATTERS ARISING: Election Planning: During May this year, Adur district councillor Joss Loader will seek re-election for the Shoreham Beach (Marine) Ward.

The major part of tonight's meeting was then taken up with the discussion for Cllr Joss Loader's re-election as Councillor for Shoreham Beach Ward in May this year.

Joss's strong persona and strengths, as the one of our two Ward incumbents, will be offering the Beach's electorate her ongoing experience, vigour and willingness to stand again.

Members went on to discuss the costs and formats of our promotion process and the logistics of spreading our message to households across the Beach by advertising; leafleting; knocking doors; Public notices etc.

Beach News & Website: The Spring edition of Beach News is at the printers and should be ready for circulation before the end of w/c Monday 11th of March.

Social Report: Councillor Julia Watts is organising this year's Sand Dance event and reports that she has recruited a new helper with whom she will be planning the event although she can't advise a date yet.

Financial Report: Val Veal circulated to members, in advance of meeting.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS. Beach Planning updates: Maureen Ashley further advised that there are very few new applications to report on since the end of 2023 but circulated a list of new applications.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.Cllr. Julia Watts:
Julia reported about her recent visit to Southern Water's treatment farm at Brooklands in East Worthing. She offered some statistics about how the treatment of sewage works and the volumes of cleaned water is that is finally piped in to the sea. SWA suggests that up to £30 million is to be spent on the improvements there.

Cllr. Joss Loader:
Noise Reports: Joss is still receiving complaints re wind-blown noise from the new-builds. She has again passed to EH.
Southern Water: They are still refusing to attend the Joint Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting. Joss had a meeting with the Council's CEO last week, along with the Worthing Chait, Cllr Heather Mercer.
Bike racks: There are three new racks installed on the LNR adjacent to Beach Road and three more by The Burrells entrance.
Church of the Good Shepherd War Memorial appeal: We have received formal thanks for our donation of £500.
Re-wilding of Beach Green car park. Julia and Joss met the council ranger today. A short discussion followed.
"Friends of the Estuary" This is a proposed new conservation group, to cover the SSSI, west of the footbridge and estuary itself. Joss will attend a meeting on Monday, 11th March.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: David Johnson raised an issue relating to increased ground rents for the Beach huts. Julia is following up.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.15pm