SHOREHAM BEACH RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

The following is a summary of the minutes of the May meeting, held on May 13th, 2021, via Zoom.

APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES

Proposed by: Jonathan Sargent. Seconded by: Julia Watts,

MATTERS ARISING – INCLUDING SBNF REPORT

The matter of the Forum's Re-designation may be considered by ADC's Joint Strategic Committee in July.

Other matters will be raised in her Councillor's report later.

ELECTION DEBRIEF -

Joss confirmed that she had circulated the election returns and thanked John Bradshaw for arranging the delivery of her election leaflets prior to the vote, via our loyal team of distributors. Her majority was the biggest in the Adur District by a considerable amount (1,122 votes, with Labour in second place on 268).

She advised us that the Independent Alliance she had led last year, that offered her a seat on the Planning Committee, was now dissolved by the election. This meant that four seats were available to Joss and the other Independent and Green councillors. Following negotiations, Joss has seats on the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee (which she will chair) and the Licensing Committee.

A discussion followed about ADC's 2022 Marine Ward election and who SBRA would promote to hopefully fill the Beach's second seat.

Joss thanked SBRA for supporting her with costs and circulation of leaflets prior to the vote. Members eagerly congratulated Joss on her majority and personal commitment to help and assist the Beach's residents & traders with their concerns over the last five years.

BEACH NEWS & WEBSITE

The next Beach News [Summer edition] will be published on July 17th. Copy deadline is June 24th.

SOCIAL REPORT

Joyce Willson offered no report due to the pandemic etc but advised the meeting that she still held deposit funds for a trip to Parliament that was due in 2020. She awaits news from Parliament about the likelihood and/or dates for any Parliament trips this season.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Julia, having previously emailed the figures to committee members, advised the finances were: In the bank - £14411.02 with cash-in-hand at £39.00. Joss suggested that more plants need to be bought for planters etc - agreed. Notice boards are needing repair and estimates will be sought.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning Applications

Maureen circulated her list of fifteen new applications to Committee members since the start of 2021 as an addendum to those still live. There was a discussion about live applications.

Beach Green Toilet Block

Little to report except Joss advised that she had been invited by Boxpark Ltd – the BG's developer – to a meeting on May 24th to offer her a project update.

Cllr JOSS LOADER REPORTS

Anti-social behaviour:

The Police have stepped up patrols and there has been an improvement, although issues haven't gone away. She is continuing to work with Kevin Boram and the Police.

Public Toilet refurbishment:

Work has now started at the Fort and is scheduled to complete early July. The temporary loos that she requested are in place and are open daily until 9pm.

Swings: The swings were removed from Beach Green play area, on safety grounds some months ago. There has been a public consultation and the scheme is now out for tender.

Concessions: The ongoing issues with the locations continue. She is awaiting an update from ADC and will update the committee later about this and other trader concessions.

Abandoned trailer: WSCC failed to remove a boat trailer that was abandoned, partially on the road in Harbour Way, on the Emerald Quay bend. She asked ADC to remove it on the basis that it was fly-tipped, and it went the same day. She also requested removal of a supermarket trolley from a nearby hedge!

Fencing issues: Ongoing issues with new fencing around the Adur Outdoor Activity Centre [AOAC] car park alongside the Adur Recreation Ground.

FoSB: Several residents contacted her about bags of green waste being left on the beach near the Burrells roundabout. These bags have been left, in conjunction with the Council, by FoSB who are clearing invasive plant species. The Council will collect the bags regularly.

GP access: She has had many complaints from residents about issues relating to making primary care appointments with GPs and, to a lesser extent, dentists. She raised these with Tim Loughton MP who is has flagged concerns to the Clinical Commissioning Group[CCG] There was a full update in his latest Covid bulletin.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Maureen mentioned a community planting scheme.

Joss confirmed that the Adur Rec's Legends Festival will be proceeding for approximately 4000 ticket-holders and will now finish earlier on the last day, Sunday, to reduce disruption.

Joshua asked for support for a 20mph speed limit on the Beach and has written to Kevin Boram on the suggestion and awaits a response.

The meeting concluded at 8.50pm.

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, JUNE 3RD, 2021 via Zoom