Shoreham Beach Residents' Association - Minutes of meeting

The following is a summary of the minutes of the May SBRA committee meeting held on May 11th, 2022.

Thanks: Julia thanked all members of the Committee, particularly Joss and our agent: John Bradshaw, for their hard work to support her successful election as a new, independent Councillor for the ADC Marine Ward.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Proposed by: Keith Fayers-Morrissey. Seconded by: Pat Hand

MATTERS ARISING: Following a short sub-group meeting regarding traffic-calming, Joss advised the main Committee of the latest situation. To progress, we need an acceptable contractor – able to satisfy the public indemnity insurance cover requirement necessitated by WSCC – to quote for the erection of the signage equipment.

Joshua volunteered to follow up. Jonathan made members aware that price increases are likely, in view of global inflation stress, and that may require a re-evaluation of our intentions and, possibly, a fresh referral to our members to proceed. Further progress will be advised.

There followed a debrief relating to the recent election and a discussion regarding any likely changes to our procedures for the future. An "election" working group is now formed and will meet to make recommendations in readiness for the next ADC election due in 2024.

Julia agreed to offer her services to the FoSB committee.

BEACH NEWS & WEBSITE: As Editor, Joss, approached the Committee to discuss the trend of rising costs of printing that could affect both content and revenues. Members joined in with views and suggestions. It was agreed that a full review was necessary.

SOCIAL REPORT: Joyce had circulated her report to members prior to the meeting, as follows:

Parliament Visit: 25th April, 2022.

A great day out. Parliament restricted numbers but we eventually had 40 passengers on the coach (one to visit London) and 2 groups of 20 for the tours. The tour leaders were first rate and the post-tour talk by Tim Loughton MP was very informative. We had almost two hours to enjoy London over lunch before being brought back to Shoreham by our very experienced coach driver.

Jubilee Competition - art competition as per advert in Beach News.

Afternoon Tea & Presentation: 12th June, 2022.
26 people showed interest in the event prior to my taking bookings and these have now been contacted. If we get 20 attending, it will break-even and be a good group but we are hoping for more. Publicity has now begun. Help is available for the day but any offers of cake baking will be so welcomed.

Joyce had circulated to all members an historic social events account from 2015 to date highlighting income & expenses and those events that proved successful and popular as a guide for the future.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Treasurer, Val Veal was unavailable tonight but previously updated us, via email.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Planning Applications: Maureen had circulated Committee Members via email prior to the meeting.

Nothing of real concern to SBRA at present. Jonathon Sargent circulated information about the re-development of the Frosts Garage site in the Town.

Cllr JOSS LOADER REPORTS: Joss updated the Meeting on the Beach Green issue.

Bin issues have largely levelled out, now the strike has ended. They have caught up with all collections, including green bins. The issue of takeaway waste has again cropped up at Ferry Road. We will request extra bins. Seasonal bins have gone out at some beach entrances, but not all. We will request the usual roll-out.

The Police have confirmed that the temporary fences at Shoreham Fort have resulted in no new crime reports.

iv. Joss and Julia attended a meeting at Albion Stores yesterday with the Police, relating to ongoing issues. There appears to have been an improvement there in the past week.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Finally, the Committee were made aware of the recently announced funeral arrangements for our long-standing Committee member and noted Councillor and Chair of ADC for many years, Maurice Pitchford, who passed away recently after a long illness. All committee members offered their condolences to his wife, Pauline, and their family

members and many friends.

Maurice represented SBRA on the Brighton City Airport Consultative Committee for many years and they too have sent their condolences. Julia will represent SBRA in future.

There being no further issues, the Meeting was declared closed at 9pm.

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8TH AT 7.30PM