SHOREHAM BEACH RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Zoom Meeting held on 5th November, 2020.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MINUTES:

Proposed by: Bob Toon & Seconded by Liza McKinney

MATTERS ARISING: Items to be covered in Cllr Joss Loader's Report, Item 8.

Beach News has been printed and added leaflets supplied. John Bradshaw suggested that despite the latest Covid-9 Lockdown, the delivery will go ahead shortly.

After discussion with Joyce, it was agreed that both our January Meeting and our AGM, would be delivered via Zoom depending on any Lockdown rules.

The Website has been updated with latest news items.

SOCIAL REPORT – All events & activities remain suspended.

FINANCIAL REPORT - Julia confirmed our figures remain as per October. Joss advised the purchase of a wreath that she will lay on behalf of SBRA and the Community at the Church of the Good Shepherd on Remembrance Sunday

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: Maureen updated the committee.

BEACH GREEN TOILET BLOCK UPDATE: the meeting discussed the likelihood of Box Park engaging a viable operator during the current pandemic. It was noted that planning consent expires in 2022.

SBNF UPDATE: After our sub-committee met with Shoreham Beach Neighbourhood Forum, a report was circulated to members of our main committee. The re-designation remains outstanding and no further meeting dates have been offered.

8. Cllr JOSS LOADER REPORTS:

Public Toilets:
Joss has received confirmation from ADC that it will be refurbishing the W.Cs at the Fort. Timescales have yet to be confirmed. Given the high numbers of visitors/walkers to the Beach, she requested the installation of temporary porta-loos.

Play Areas:

ADC is committed to improving these areas on the Adur Recreation Ground and at Beach Green.

Shingle Removal:

The Environment Agency are considering additional shingle movements. These went ahead Nov/Dec and are now completed.

Concessions to Mobile Traders during the Summer:

Joss referred to her recent comments in the Worthing/Shoreham Herald. She has argued that it is unfair to allow such generous concessions to mobile traders at just £550 for a 5-month period when Beach traders with premises simply cannot compete against such favourable terms with much higher fixed costs.

The Adur Ferry Bridge:

Joss was notified by residents about lighting faults and flooding issues on

the Bridge and contacted WSCC who worked swiftly to resolve the issues.

Flood Defence compensation:

Joss confirmed that some residents have still to receive recompense for the work/damage on their land. She attended a meeting last month at the request of a resident and continues to work to try to secure resolution.

Taxis:

The meeting Joss mentioned at our October committee meeting went ahead. It is clear that there are issues within the Council's licensing department and general communication with the taxi-trade.

Anti-social behaviour:

Joss continues to be contacted about sporadic issues involving anti-social behaviour, graffiti and minor vandalism. Where necessary, she has contacted the Police.

Cycling:

Joss enjoyed an interesting walk-around the central Beach area with Adam Bronkhorst, from "Shoreham-by-Cycle" They identified some areas for improvement, including the removal of a pole to allow bikes with trailers [containing small children] to access the cycle route by the Beach Green public loo block. Officers are now investigating. The security of the green will be maintained at all times. Joshua had a similar tour with Cllr. Emma Evans and Joss gave way to him for comments. JB - in his "Shoreham-by-cycle" role - related some disappointment about the removal of the cycle lane along Upper Shoreham Road and referred the meeting to visit our MP's website for a survey on cycle lanes imposed during the first Lockdown.

Twitten – between Harbour Way to the beach behind Sailing Shoreham Club:

Concerns have been raised about its muddy surface. SP is investigating the installation of a hard surface to make life easier for walkers.

Food Bank Appeal:

As always, Joss ran this with the Church and it was a great success. Another Church appeal has been made for a Harvest Festival for those families, especially, who have lost their jobs. Jonathan Sargent suggested that many South Coast communities have suffered badly during the pandemic putting more pressure on food banks and notably children have suffered with their talking skills.

Remembrance Sunday:

Joss advised that she will be laying a wreath, on behalf of SBRA and the Community, on Sunday 8th November. This is a small event that will be broadcast via the Church's Zoom service.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Bob Toon advised that he had spoken to Tony Parker at SP about the increasingly slippery nature of a ramp at the Fort end and highlighted that shingle was covering footpaths near the Fort Toilet block causing hazardous conditions on the nearby boardwalk especially. Joss advised that the boardwalk issue had been flagged with the Council. He also advised the meeting that he and his wife have a moving date and he wanted to thank everyone for their support during his time on the Committee. Members returned their thanks to him and wished the couple well in their new home.

John Bradshaw advised that Traffic Wardens were operating as late as 6.30pm! Joss suggested this might have been prompted by her appeal to NSL who seemed to act quickly!

Tony drew attention to the increasing trend towards silent, electric scooters being used on the beach

The Meeting closed at 8.50pm.

NEXT MEETING:
THURSDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 2021 at 7.30pm