Shoreham Beach Residents' Association - Minutes of meeting

The following is a summary of the draft minutes of the SBRA Committee meeting held on November 1st at the Harbour Club. The minutes will be approved when the committee next meets, in January.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2023 MINUTES
Proposed by: Joyce Willson and seconded by: Julia Watts. Minutes approved

MATTERS ARISING - At our October meeting, Joyce offered to review previous years' annual subscriptions takings and gave a four-yearly breakdown.

These figures drew engagement from Members attending. In addition to vital subscription receipts, SBRA appreciates our residents' email addresses so we can stay in touch, especially on local matters directly affecting them, so as to garner local feedback e.g. Beach Green's future etc.

BEACH NEWS AND WEBSITE - Joss, as Editor, advised on delivery date of the "Winter" edition from our printers.

SOCIAL REPORT - Julia advised the Committee on the advanced arrangements for the Christmas Singalong event at the Waterside public house and provided an estimate of costs to the Committee. This event has been cancelled, due to weather warnings.

FINANCIAL REPORT – circulated by the treasurer in advance.
SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS. Beach Planning updates: Maureen Ashley provided the latest information. There were no controversial Beach applications this month. That said, Julia commented on the New Wharf scheme along the A259 that will be presented to ADC Planning Committee quite soon. Generally, she advised the build offered 7 storeys but without any access to the river. None of the utility companies have objected. Julia was concerned about the quality of the infrastructure.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS
Cllr Julia Watts:
FoSB: The next beach cleaning events are on November 26th from Ferry

Road and 28th December at the Fort.
Wheelchair access on the beach: She's been speaking to a resident and swimmer and passionate about trying to provide disabled access to the beach. They visited Heronsdale School a couple of weeks ago to look at their own beach wheelchair. They visited "Sea Lanes "in Brighton today and also the Brighton Beach office to look at their equipment. Both are providing more information.
Neighbourhood Plan: Joss and Julia met Kevin Hall regarding the Neighbourhood Plan and how it might be included in Adur's next local plan. [A further discussion followed amongst members].
Policing on the Beach: Joss and Julia met the PCSO Chris Marsden. They discussed anti-social behaviour on the beach and "dough-nutting" in the car parks.

Cllr. Joss Loader:
Roadworks: Joss is still trying to get an informed response from the WSCC Cabinet Member for Highways, Joy Dennis, regarding the mismanagement of the UKPN roadworks by the Norfolk Bridge earlier this year during October. WSCC went ahead with the footbridge closure, despite the traffic gridlock. A further reply is awaited.
SPA's shingle transfer: This is now under way, after being postponed. It started on October 31st. The EA has written to us saying that they also need to move shingle West along the LNR to shore-up defences at Lancing. We have requested more information, plus the chance to walk the route.
New builds: Joss has received complaints about the late-night working and noise. She is encouraging residents to keep a log and report incidents and ADC's Planning Enforcement team have opened a file.
New Salts Farm: Members discussed a recent press release from the Ouse & Adur Rivers Trust. The space remains safe from any future development. Local groups were thanked for co-operating with the Trust, who will keep the relevant Communities informed of future progress.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: John Bradshaw suggested the Association might consider some form of remembrance for the life and work of the late Alderman and Chair of Adur District Council and the SBRA, Mrs Liza McKinney. Joss will contact WSCC again re a plaque at the toll bridge, which she campaigned to save.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.35pm - Thursday, January 4th,2024 at 7pm.