Shoreham Beach Residents' Association - Minutes of meeting

The following is a summary of the minutes of the SBRA Committee meeting at The Harbour Club on Tuesday, October 12th, 2021.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Proposed by: Joan Moore / Seconded by: Julia Watts

MATTERS ARISING:

Selection of Election Candidate for 2022.
Our Vice-Chair, Julia Watts, addressed the meeting to put her name forward for consideration to stand as an independent ADC Councillor for SBRA in the forthcoming 2022 local elections. She declared her aspirations and considered wish to represent the residents of Shoreham Beach and to lend her support for Councillor Joss Loader.

Later, after a short discussion by Committee members, in camera, Julia was selected after being proposed, by Joshua Baxendale and Seconded by Val Veal & Tony Wallington. Support for Julia was unanimous as SBRA's prospective candidate for the Marine Ward at the next ADC election due in May, 2022, subjective to ratification at the AGM in February.

Proposals re Traffic Calming for the Beach:
It was agreed to form a working group, led by Jonathan Sargent, to help inform a decision regarding the idea of electronic speed-warning signage for various Beach locations. Joshua, Val and Tony volunteered. Shoreham Beach Neighbourhood Forum held its first meeting after ADC approved its re-designation and David Johnson joined their committee.

BEACH NEWS & SBRA Website:

As Editor, Joss was pleased to report that Beach News advertising update was very positive. Delivery will start mid-November. The SBRA website is up to date.

SOCIAL REPORT:

Joyce Willson had circulated her report to Members prior to meeting.

Notice Boards: Joyce said: "I have spent quite a lot of time seeking out a notice board that will actually fit in the area to replace the one outside Atlantic Stores. Reference the link below:

This will fit an A4 poster within so we can have a permanent one explaining 'all things SBRA' and the design could be such that the middle A4 area can be covered if we get an A4 poster to superimpose for a limited period.

Joyce is suggesting the board will have a magnetic surface as the constant use of drawing pins deteriorates the backing over time. Joyce confirmed that she will be booking the Church Hall for SBRA's AGM for Saturday 26th February, 2022.

FINANCIAL REPORT:
Julia had circulated our financial position to all members prior to our Meeting.

Election of new Treasurer: Joss and Committee members thanked Julia for her service as Treasurer and gladly welcomed Val Veal to the position and members duly voted her into the post.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Planning Applications: Maureen circulated Committee members with her latest, comprehensive listand Joss updated the committee accordingly.

Beach Green Toilet Block update: The licensing provisional statement was granted. On a positive note, the SBRA request to refuse off-licence sales was agreed, voluntarily, by Boxpark.

Councillor Joss Loader Reports:
New Community Group - ACT
"Adur Communities Together" [ACT] has been established, comprising groups in the town such as Shoreham Centre, Area & Kingston Beach Residents' Association. She has attended a couple of inaugural meetings and a large public meeting is planned for Monday October 8th at the Ropetackle Centre.
Beach Patrols – These ceased on September 30th, as per the original agreement. Joss was scheduled to attend a meeting tomorrow [13th October] to discuss the way forward.
Anti-social behaviour – CCTV has been fitted at Shoreham Fort, on the public toilet block, However, the public loos are still not open (subsequently opened later in the month).
Litter - The temporary seasonal bins have now been removed. We have some isolated issues with fly-tipping.
Bike park – ADC is continuing with ground investigations.
Concessions - A new business is now operating from Beach Green concession site, selling fruit & vegetables.

Any Other Business: Tony enquired about the ongoing difficulty experienced by many patients in accessing local doctors' physical appointments at Shoreham surgeries.

Joss agreed and advised that she has already spoken to Tim Loughton MP on the matter on several occasions.

Date of next meeting: Thursday, November 4th at 7.30pm