

Southdown Rise Residents Association

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 14th November 2015 at the One Church, Florence Road.

Present: Jo Whitehead, (chairing), Reuben Jancovich (Secretary), Gren Nation (Treasurer), Rob Rosenthal (Vice-chair), Martyn Allen, Cllr Julie Cattell, Jenny Cooke, Steve Marsh, Annie Mc Mullen.

	Agenda Item	Action
1	Chair's Welcome/Apologies	
1.1	Apologies were received from Paul Tofts, Helen Weir, Edward White, Sylvia Peckham.	
2	Minutes of Last Meeting and matters arising	
2.1	<p>Julie to still waiting to hear back from council officers for permission regarding placing the planters on the pavement, wooden boundary around trees etc.</p> <p>Gren has compiled a list of gullies that need cleaning ACTION forward onto Jenny Cooke.</p>	GN/JC
3	Reports from sub-groups <i>N.B. SIB and Environment groups have now amalgamated to form one sub-group/committee.</i>	
3.1	SIB	
3.1.1	<p>Annie reported back from meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redoing the two planters on Springfield Road • Erecting wooden surrounds around trees at the end of Southdown, which the Community Garden ladies have agreed to adopt. <p>Discussion took place on best plants to use as some people had great success while others hadn't. ACTION: Annie to make a list of season appropriate plants that work well and which are hardy. Could then be circulated to those interested or on request perhaps placed on the SRRA website.</p>	AMc
3.1.2	Jo reported that Ed wished to committee to endorse him to work with DRARA to persuade the council to remove tree stumps and fundraise to have trees replaced in Ditchling Rise as well as an additional one placed in the cul de sac.	

	ACTION Edward White is tasked with working with DRARA to get the council to take action regarding removing tree stumps etc approach the council for agreement.	EW
3.2	Environment	
3.2.1	<p>Jo said she was concerned at the increasing amount of rubbish both being dumped and also escaping from bins on Springfield Road.</p> <p>Street cleaners do not appear to follow up bin collections for several days after bin day if at all.</p> <p>Julie reported that she had been in liaison with Damien Mamura who is leading a strategy to tackle this issue as well as the issue of bins being left on the pavement. Springfield Road was part of his strategy last year but never followed through because of the bin strike but need taking up again.</p> <p>ACTION: Julie to raise the issue of Springfield Rd with Damien and suggest he meets with Jenny Cooke on site to look at the issue</p> <p>Jo proposed we start a 'Pride in your Street' campaign in Springfield Road.</p>	JC
3.2.2	<p>ACTION</p> <p>Sylvia to be notified that she needs to invite the additional people who were added to the environment sub groups at the AGM: Reuben, Martyn, Julie and Jenny Cook.</p>	SP
3.3	12 December Xmas event/party	
3.3.1	<p>The sub group has met and discussed issues with Ben regarding the event.</p> <p>A Fire engine has been booked with the community safety officer being in attendance from 2.15 to 3.15 during the playstreets period.</p> <p>Rob's band will play. Gren to pay them petrol expenses.</p>	

	<p>Fruit and veg man booked in with BBQ.</p> <p>Not going to have artists stall as it was felt there was not enough time to get this done properly with enough people.</p>	
3.3.2	<p>A great deal of discussion was had about whether to have a bar. A bar would have to involve Ben running it (will not give permission otherwise). However he needs a guarantee on numbers plus £21 for a temporary license and £10 an hour for security door staff (legal requirement). Agreed therefore not to have a bar and offer just soft drinks and mulled wine instead.</p>	
3.3.3	<p>Discussion on the need to publicise the event plus advertise who we are at the event.</p> <p>Agreed to invite local residents associations and community groups. Steve, Reuben, Gren, Rob and Jenny all volunteered to help leaflet surrounding roads once leaflets were produced. Agreed to use £50 towards publicity (A4 leaflets for trees and A5 for leaflets). Gren to ask Simon (Jenny Staff husband to design publicity) someone to design a poster/leaflet.</p>	<p>GN</p> <p>GN</p>
3.3.4	<p>We need as many raffle prizes as well. Everyone is asked to see what they can offer and get others to sponsor. Jenny already has 2 scooters.</p> <p>ACTION: Martyn to convene another planning meeting soon.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>MA</p>
4	Any Other Business – None.	
5	Dates of future meetings TBC.	

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