

WERA COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 29 October 2018

MINUTES

Present

Malcolm Russell, Chair
Sharon Moore, Vice Chair
Saeid Massroor, Treasurer
Daniel Kalarus
Anne Hattley
Angie Pearson
Monica Parrot
Martin Brennan
Sally Stroud
Connie Dooknah

Absent: Richard Blackwood

1. The new Committee introduced themselves and everyone was made welcome. Contact details were shared and it was agreed that a WhatsApp group should be established, which Daniel organised on the spot. Sally's phone can't use WhatsApp so it was agreed we would keep her up to speed by text and email. The Chair asked that all the committee should reply when meetings are called so that it was clear who could/would attend.
2. The Chair briefly explained the roles of the Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary and encouraged everyone to put forward their views and participate in committee discussions and decisions.
3. The AGM Minutes had been circulated but only a few committee members had read them in advance of the meeting. The Chair encouraged that key documents circulated in advance be read wherever possible to save time at meetings. It was noted that the number of emails and documents should be kept to the minimum to avoid overloading the committee. The Chair explained that he had taken action on the three key points raised at the AGM (cycle storage, pram shed charges and parking) and that when replies had been received from Lambeth Council the committee could discuss these points in more detail. The Vice Chair reported that the person using an air gun in Wyvil Road had been arrested and evicted so that problem has been resolved. The Chair asked the committee to **read the AGM Minutes** and let him know as soon as possible if there were any comments. **Action: all committee members.**
4. It was decided that our participation in the St Martin's Day event on 10 November should include:
 - a) Football for the youth on our Estate with Millwall football club (training and match) leading to the possibility of longer term engagement with the team and 5 a side football between teams on the Estate (**Action: Sharon to discuss with Manuel Santos and organise youth**)
 - b) A table in the main event focussing on healthy eating, growing food, social services/welfare for young people. (**Action: Angie, Anne and Sally to see whether they could get professional support for the social services/welfare. All committee to bring ideas for the healthy eating**)
 - c) On the table also a survey sheet to capture demographics of residents: key to capture older people and youth numbers and locations (**Action: Monica to draw up a survey please**)

- d) Soup to be cooked and provided (post meeting note: the organisers have a central area for soup to be served where it is hoped that there will be warming facilities for food: to review when further details known from main organisers)
- e) On the table also information about the landscaping and our plans for the year (**Action: Malcolm to organise this**)
- f) We should get a banner and, possibly a gazebo, to put up in the playground of the Wyvil School, plus some folding chairs. (**Action: Malcolm and Saeid looking into this**)

5. Looking ahead the following activities, themes and events were identified for the year:

- (i) Ensuring the elderly were OK over winter – from the demographics survey and working with Lambeth Council and agencies such as Age Concern
- (ii) Summer coaches, probably joining forces with Hemans and/or Lansdowne Way (Sharon to lead on this)
- (iii) Quiz night
- (iv) Table Top sale
- (v) Big Lunch/International food day (eg a food bazaar)
- (vi) 2 x BBQs (one in the summer to coincide with the opening of the central landscaping area, the other at Easter with an Easter Egg hunt)
- (vii) Healthy Eating and Cycling event
- (viii) Social Club and Football activities for youth on the Estate
- (ix) Advertise existing facilities for elderly and young, eg those at Wheatsheaf and Lansdowne

Details of these activities would be agreed at the next meeting.

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- 6. Monica reported that she had been denied access to the gardens at the Sky Gardens Development which she had understood would be available to the public. No action was recorded so we may need to consider this again at the next committee meeting. It was agreed that we should press for additional development funding from CLIPS for steps to improve parking, safety and amenities. A start has been made and we can follow-up from the next meeting.