

HOVE STATION NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Minutes of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held at 8.15 pm Tuesday 14TH October 2014 at Ralli Hall, Denmark Villas.

Attendance 38 Forum Members

Apologies: 8 Forum members

Rob Jarrett, Linda Freedman, Clare Tikly, Jim Roberts, Juliette Roberts, Julie Turner. Manish Patel and Shirley Watkins

1. Introductions

The meeting was chaired by the Forum Vice-chair. Nigel Richardson and the current Management Committee members introduced themselves and their role in the work of the Committee

2. Annual Report

Nigel Richardson presented a verbal Annual Report which set out the work of the Forum during the year which had focused on the process of applying for designation of the Hove Station Neighbourhood Plan Area and Forum. Applications had been submitted in December 2013. The Neighbourhood Area was designated by the BHCC Economic Development and Culture Committee on September 18th. The Forum will be designated in November when we have modified our Constitution and established outline procedures for cross-boundary working with Hove Park Forum. He also outlined some of the key issues that the Forum would address in the coming year in its efforts to submit a draft Neighbourhood Plan by the end of 2015. He invited members to contribute to this process by joining the Forum's working groups. The written report will be circulated to all Forum members in November and be published on the HSNF web-site.

In the discussion of the report Valerie Paynter pointed out that the exclusion of the Painters Quarter from our Neighbourhood Area was unreasonable as it is physically adjacent to DA6 . She understood that there was a possibility to appeal against this decision. The Forum had formally opposed this boundary and it was agreed that the issue of an appeal would be investigated by the Committee.

3. Treasurers Report July 2013-June 2014

Sue Gibson delivered the report. Working in partnership with BHESCO (Brighton and Hove Energy Services Co-operative, the Forum had secured a grant of 9.800 form UK Power Networks to deliver the Community Energy Kickstart Project. The Forum has opened an account with HSBC, The project is ongoing . BHESCO have been paid 6694.74 for work completed and the balance has been allocated to complete the project.

The expenditure incurred in delivering two have your say events had been covered by members paying bills directly as these events had preceded the opening of the HSBC account. It was agreed that in future such donations would be formally received and accounted for.

It was also reported that a grant of £7000 from Locality to support the work of the Forum had been allocated but not yet been received.

4. Election of the officers of the Management Committee

Nominations had been received as follows.

<i>Position</i>	<i>Nominee</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Second</i>
Chair	Nigel Richardson	Helmut Lusser	Sue Gibson
Vice-chair	Jon Turner	Mike Gibson	Helmut Lusser
Secretary	Lesia Syrotiuk	Nigel Richardson	Jon Turner
Treasurer	Sue Gibson	Jon Turner	Linda Robinson

There were no other nominations at the meeting. The above persons were duly elected to serve for the year 2014-2015

5. Management Committee Members 2014-2015

The following members had resigned during the year:

Jo Shaw, Jim Roberts, Manish Patel, and Valerie Paynter

The following members agreed to serve on the committee for a second year

CLLr. Rob Jarrett, Mike Gibson, Helmut Lusser, Linda Robinson, Stuart Croucher, David Kemp

The following volunteered to join the committee as new members:

Robert Glick, Stephen Terry and Rachelle Howard.

6. Amendments to the Constitution

BHCC required two amendments to the Constitution:

- The name of the Forum to be changed from Hove Station Neighbourhoods Forum to Hove Station Neighbourhood Forum
- The map of the Neighbourhood Area to be changed to accord with the Neighbourhood Area approved by the Economic Development and Culture Committee

These amendments were agreed and the revised Constitution is to be submitted to Martin Randall, Head of the Planning Service and published on the Forum website.

7. Any other business

There was none .

The meeting closed at 9.45

Lesia Syrotiuk

Secretary , Hove Station Neighbourhood Forum.