

SCG Committee meeting 6pm Wednesday 7th November 2012, Water Poet

(Present : Jon Shapiro, Selina Mifsud, Peter Sinden, Peter Boisseau, John Nicolson, Charles Gledhill, Paul Johnston Apologies : David Gadd, Frank Pickard, Tarik Ahmed, Kathy Boyle, Matt Piper)

Jon Shapiro opened meeting in absence of Matt Piper.

1. LFWE

A discussion took place regarding collective committee responsibility; it was agreed that in the event of a conflict of interest involving confidential matters any interested parties would absent themselves from future discussion if appropriate. The committee will abide by the constitution in this regard. Jon Shapiro is to join the LFWE subgroup who are engaged in talks with the Spitalfields Trust and SAVE regarding next steps.

2. Review of proposed ward boundary changes

It seems the deadline for meaningful comment and input has been missed. The committee currently adopts a neutral position on the various proposals, but accepts further consideration of them may be necessary during future consultation.

3. Response to letter from Andy Rider re development of Christ Church Gardens

Jon Shapiro to send Andy Rider an email clarifying SCG's position along lines of that sent by the Friends.

4. Update on ASB campaign

A forum has been set up with representation from local residents' groups including SCG, Spitalfields Society, St George's residents' association, the market residents, Woodseer St etc David Donoghue has kindly produced a working document identifying objectives and methodology, and a smaller working group has been formed who will move action forward. Jon Shapiro has held meetings with local police and Cllr Helal Abbas, and spoken to the East London Advertiser to rebut council claims that complaints about street drinking have fallen dramatically. An article quoting him appears in this week's issue.

5. Survey update

David Gadd will reduce the length and complexity of last year's survey asap.

6. AOB

Selina Mifsud will make arrangements with the English Restaurant for the Christmas Social on 9th December. David Gadd will ask Tracey Emin for a raffle prize. Any other raffle prizes welcome.

Paul Johnston will represent SCG and report back on a major redesign project for Whitechapel, due to be launched around May 2013.

Peter Sinden will provide David Gadd with payment details for his nominated charities so cheques can be sent to them (Jewish East End Celebration Society, Bangladeshi Welfare Association, Providence Row)

SCG Pub Quiz 7pm Wednesday 7th November Water Poet

Stephen Armstrong kindly ran an excellent quiz for the SCG, to raise funds for the Spitalfields Crypt Trust. 5 teams battled to win a prize of a bottle of champagne generously donated by Peter Dunne, landlord of the Water Poet. Many thanks to all those who took part and congratulations to the winning team!

Next members' event – Sunday 9th Dec evening at English Restaurant (time tbc)

Other dates to note – Sunday 2nd December, Christ Church Christmas Bazaar

Public Meetings

Thursday 8 November: 6.30 PM at George Green's School, E14 3DW

Police & Community Safety Board – Q&A

Thursday 15 November: 6.30 PM at Toynbee Hall

Meet our Police "Safety Neighbourhood Team" (SNT)

Thanks!