

## **SCG Committee Meeting, 6pm, Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2012**

### **The English Restaurant, Brushfield St.**

**Present:** Peter Boisseau, Charles Gledhill, Paul Johnston, Tarik Khan, Selina Mifsud, Matt Piper, Jon Shapiro, Peter Sinden

#### **1. Constitution**

Before the meeting Jon Shapiro had circulated the latest draft of the SCG constitution. Following a discussion of several points raised by Peter Boisseau, the committee voted unanimously to adopt the constitution subject to the correction of some typographical errors. The constitution will become a working document and will be proposed by the committee for ratification by the members at the next AGM.

#### **2. Charity Fund**

SCG members had nominated 18 charities/causes for a share of the money in the SCG charity fund. Mission statements had been circulated to committee members in advance. Following a vote (details of results and process available on request) the following charities/causes were selected for a share of the charity fund: Bangladeshi Welfare Association, Christ Church School Journey Fund, Futureversity, Jewish East End Celebration Society, Poetry in Wood, Providence Row, SOUL, Spitalfields Crypt Trust, Suited and Booted, Switchback. Each will receive £200.

#### **3. Meetings**

Matt Piper ran through the agenda for the public meeting later in the evening and requested ideas for meetings and speakers for 2013.

#### **4. Survey**

Selina Mifsud and Matt Piper will work with David Gadd to produce a draft members' survey before the November committee meeting. If adopted by that meeting, the survey will take place in late 2012 or early 2013.

#### **5. Recent increase in ASB.**

Selina Mifsud summarised recent problems faced by local residents due to late-night drinking on and around Brick Lane. Various schemes for dealing with this were discussed including: a petition to LBTH regarding a Saturation Policy, meetings with the new Safer Neighbourhoods Team and senior police officers in the borough, meetings with LBTH licensing officers, raising the issue with councilors and at LBTH council meetings. The views of members on the correct course of action to take would be heard at the public meeting later in the evening. The possibility of working with other local residents' groups on the issue was discussed and agreed to in principle.

#### **6. Neighbourhood Forums**

Matt Piper will speak to other local groups to see if there is sufficient interest in setting up a Neighbourhood Forum for Spitalfields.

## **7. Community Programme**

The committee agreed that a sub-group should be formed to manage the SCG Community Programme for the coming year. Jennifer Weller and Brian Noone will jointly chair the sub-group and will appoint a committee of willing volunteers.

## **8. AOB**

Selina Mifsud has reviewed the draft of the SCG membership leaflet and will discuss changes with Matt Piper with a view to the final document being signed off at the November meeting.

Peter Boisseau presented SCG with 3 cheques (totaling £1250) relating to recent film-shoots in the area.