

## Minutes of SCG Committee Meeting

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2013

Present: Charles Gledhill, Tarik Khan, Selina Mifsud, Matt Piper, Jon Shapiro, Jennifer Weller

- 1. Containers Hostels Ltd.** The directors of Containers Hostels Ltd gave a short presentation of their plans to build a tourist hostel on land adjacent to Allen Gardens. In the discussion afterwards various concerns were raised by members of the committee. These included the aesthetics of the design, the use of land that might otherwise be incorporated into Allen Gardens, the lack of a tangible benefit to the local community, and an increase in anti-social behaviour caused by the guests of the hostel. Matt to email thanking them for their presentation and summarizing SCG's concerns.
- 2. SPIRE/licensing update.** Selina reported on several recent licensing reviews and meetings of the LBTH licensing sub-committee. There are more planned for next week. Selina, Charles and Matt to meet with a possible new tenant at 82a Commercial Street to discuss her plans.
- 3. Planning.** David to make contact with developers of BanglaCity site to ensure building work causes minimal disruption to local residents and businesses.
- 4. Crossrail.** Matt to review news on Crossrail as tunneling being in Spitalfields and to inform members of any newsworthy items.
- 5. Membership renewals.** Matt reported on a healthy level of renewals so far. Another reminder in due course.
- 6. Survey results.** The survey provided useful statistics and information that will be used to guide SCG's campaigns. Matt presented the findings to the committee and has already distributed a summary by email
- 7. Communications.** Jennifer to finalise the findings of the sub-group, taking into account the responses of the members in the survey.
- 8. Filming.** January was a quiet month for filming.
- 9. AOB.** Matt to send an email to members requesting nomination of charities and local organizations to receive money from the SCG Charity Fund.