

SCG Committee Meeting – Wednesday 4th February 2015
6pm, The English Restaurant, Brushfield St, E1

Minutes

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

1. Planning. The committee received a presentation from the Spitalfields Trust on the state of their discussions with British Land on the Blossom Street site. Despite several months of meetings there is still a considerable distance between the two parties. In particular the Trust objects to the scale of the demolition and the lack of retention of anything but the facades of many of the buildings. They feel this is unnecessary and goes against the principles of a Conservation Area.

The committee voted on whether SCG should comment on this scheme. This motion was passed 5-1. Charles then proposed that he draft a letter of objection along the lines of the three points sent to members several months ago, largely agreeing with the position taken by the Trust. This letter will be sent to members for comments before being sent to the Planning Department of LBTH. A vote on this action was passed nem con.

2. Licensing. Selina and Matt reported on the meeting of the LBTH licensing sub-committee that had been held the previous evening. The application for a new licence at 82a Commercial Street had been rejected.

3. Filming. Peter reported on discussions on a large filming project likely to have some impact on residents and businesses on Brushfield St. These are ongoing.

4. Survey. It was agreed that a new members' survey will be undertaken in the autumn of 2015 with the results collated by the end of the year.

5. Jon reminded members of the committee that the large majority would have to decide soon whether or not to stand for re-election at this year's AGM.