

SCG Committee Meeting – Wednesday 3rd June 2015
6pm, The English Restaurant, Brushfield St, E1

Minutes

Present: Peter Boisseau, Paul Johnston, Selina Mifsud, Matt Piper, Peter Sinden

Apologies: David Gadd, Charles Gledhill, Jon Shapiro

1. Planning

- **Blossom St.** Paul updated the committee with the latest news on the campaign to object to the development. The planning decision is due to be taken on 21st July. Any action required to be taken by SCG will be clearer by the time of the next committee meeting.
- **Toynbee Hall.** Paul had represented SCG at a meeting in which development plans were presented. His comments have been sent to the developer and we are awaiting their response.
- **LFWE demolition.** Paul and Selina attended the first liaison meeting between the demolition company and local residents. Some concerns were raised about the timing of the start of the demolition work and the methods the same company used on the Nido site. However, until work begins there is little for the committee to do.

2. Licensing

- **Ten Bells.** Matt and Selina reported on discussions between local residents and the pub management regarding problems arising from drinking on Commercial and Fournier Streets. There has since been some improvement. They also reported on a meeting with Chris Dyson regarding a recent planning application at the Ten Bells. No action to be taken.

3. Filming. Peter updated the committee on recent film shoots and plans for several more. A large shoot on Princelet Street has been downsized due to fears of traffic congestion.

4. AGM. The committee agreed the format and an agenda for the AGM which will be held on 24th June. Elections for the SCG committee will be held if more than 12 nominations are received.

5. Following a lengthy discussion, it was decided that it should be stressed to all committee members that there was an expectation that they should attend committee meetings as often as possible. The committee decided not to impose a minimum number of attendances. To help facilitate greater attendance, it was decided that meetings should be

individually arranged for greatest convenience, rather than having a fixed date as has been the case.

6. Members' events

- Walking tour – Matt to organise over the summer.
- Historic talk – Matt to speak to Charles.

7. Request from Andy Rider regarding sponsorship of concert. It was decided that sponsoring a concert to raise money for the restored organ at Christchurch was outside the remit of SCG and that fund should be reserved for other causes.

8. Request for funds from SNPF. The committee agreed to increase a recent donation to the Neighbourhood Planning Forum from £200 to £300, on the request of the SNPF. The committee would like to receive regular updates on the activities of the forum and in particular on its use of this money.

9. Friends of Allen Gardens. Matt reported that there were plans to reinstate a "Friends of Allen Gardens" group on response to the problems suffered by residents in its vicinity. The committee wholly supported this idea. Matt to invite the organisers to a committee meeting to give them the opportunity to explain their needs.

10. AOB. The time of the next meeting was set for Wednesday 1st July at 6pm in the English Restaurant.