

SCG Committee Meeting – Wednesday 9th November 2016

6pm, at The Water Poet, Folgate St, E1

Notes of Meeting

Present: Jonathan Boyle, Charles Gledhill, Susan Kay, Selina Mifsud, Jon Shapiro, Paul Shearer

Apologies: Peter Boisseau, Matt Piper

1. Meeting with Toby Brown (OSM)

Toby Brown joined the meeting to provide feedback on the recent “London Cocktail Week” (LCW). Toby reported that the event had been carefully managed, and that no complaints had been received. Committee members agreed that we also were unaware of any complaints.

Toby went on to explain his views on how OSM should develop, including:

- Various different events (eg: cultural, arts, food, et al) to connect with the community
- Building a new website to develop internet opportunities for market traders.

Toby explained that whilst OSM is (and always will be) primarily a market, it is the only one operating 7 days a week around the year, and needs occasional events to vary the day-to-day activity.

2. Licensing

James Frankcom had suggested that the LBTH proposal for a Brick Lane PSPO (Public Space Protection Order) should be greatly increased in geographic coverage and had requested SCG support for his proposal. Jon Shapiro reported that two days previously the SNPF had debated the same proposal, and had agreed to support the LBTH proposal “as is” on the grounds that suggesting such a large amendment would probably either be rejected, or might even “kill” the original proposal.

SCG Committee members thought that without requesting major change, there were some “tweaks” that would potentially improve the logic of the scheme, and it was agreed that the SCG would support the LBTH proposal, but request that a “missing triangle” to the East of Commercial Street that left out some of ChristChurch Spitalfields and some of the Church Gardens should also be included in the scheme.

3. Charitable giving

There had previously been a suggestion that we should set an annual budget for SCG charitable giving. Following discussion based on previous years financial accounts, we agreed that we should set a charitable giving budget of £1,500 pa for the current year, and that this budget should be reviewed annually.

4. Filming

In the absence of Peter Boisseau members had nothing further to report

5. Meeting with James Frankcom of SNPF

James Frankcom joined the meeting to discuss the previous SNPF request for donations of £600 from both Spit Soc and the SCG. Prior to making a decision on this request, the SCG had invited James to outline future SNPF financing plans and answer questions. James explained that with

£600 from Spit Soc (already donated) and a further potential £600 from the SCG, these donations would fully cover SNPF's administration costs for the next two years.

He explained that in the longer term the SNPF intended to seek funding from "Locality" and business sponsors, but to do this the SNPF needed to formalise its plans for developing its Neighbourhood Plan. To help prepare this work the SNPF is thinking of employing a part-time administrator at a potential cost of £10K, and would be seeking business sponsorship (and maybe also local community groups) to fund that administrator, but that would be a separate fund-raising endeavor.

It was agreed meantime that the SCG would make the requested £600 donation to the SNPF.

6. Approval of small donation to Spitalfields Crypt Trust

It was agreed that the SCG would make a "matching" donation to the pub quiz income, to "round up" the total amount to a suitable figure.

7. Date for Christmas Party

All members present who had attended last year's Xmas Party thought that it had been an outstandingly enjoyable event. Subject to Peter Sinden's views it was agreed we should plan a very similar event this year.

It was agreed that we should approach Peter Sinden to see if the SCG Christmas Party could be held on either of the dates:

- 4 December 2016
- 11 December 2016

8. AOB

None.