

Dulwich Society Executive 528th Meeting Monday 9th March 2020 7.30pm at St Barnabas Centre – Minutes

Attendees: Ian McInnes (IMcI), Patsy Bramble (PB), David Beamish (DB), Colin Niven (CN), Sue Badman (SB), David Roberts (DR), Adrian Hill (AdH), Diana McInnes (DM), Jeremy Prescott (JP), Kenneth Wolfe (KW), Sigrid Collins (SC) for Wildlife, Bernard Nurse (BN).

(Executive Reports previously circulated by Ian McInnes (Chair), Diana McInnes (Membership), Russell Lloyd (Treasurer), Jeremy Prescott (Gardens), Patsy Bramble (Licensing), Alastair Hanton (Travel & Environment), David Roberts (Planning & Architecture), David Beamish (Trees), Sigrid Collins for Angela Wilkes (Wildlife)).

Apologies: Angela Wilkes (AW), Alastair Hanton (AH), Russell Lloyd (RL), Brian Green (BG)

Declarations of Interest

See Appendix 1.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The Minutes were agreed and signed.

Matters Arising not covered elsewhere: None

DS Matters

- a) **AGM arrangements** – Monday 27th April 2020 7.30pm for 8pm at the Crown and Greyhound. IMcI is preparing a “Review of the Year” powerpoint. Three committee reports are outstanding. New Chair of the Dulwich Estate will speak. AGM Notice circulated in the journal. **Action: ALL (post-meeting note AGM cancelled due to Covid-19 but paperwork preparation will continue pending new meeting date)**
- b) **CGS applications for 2020/2021** – There was a CGS announcement at the South Area Forum on 25th February. The Society has received the requested funds for the pollution monitor in the Village, the finger post on the South Circular, and the request for the refurbishment of the front entrance of the Parish Hall was also approved. The Dulwich Park Friends have received funding for the path re-routing to save the oaks. There is also funding for the hedging at the Dulwich Library. Our grants for the refurbishment of the front entrance of the Parish Hall and the oaks will therefore be required.
- c) **Events in 2020** – There will be a garden trip, walks during the Festival weekends, and a talk by IMcI at Rosemead School on 13th May about Thurlow Park Road. BG is talking on VE Day on 8th May 2020. **Post-Meeting Note: All events have been cancelled due to Covid-19 until further notice.**
- d) Post Cart location – this has not been progressed.
- e) Letter from Simon Yiend, COO Dulwich College – regarding an item about coaches in Gallery Road in the enewsletter. The Society has discussed the issue with Simon and the Committee agreed there would be no further action required.

- f) Travel & Environment Sub-Committee – IMCl has organised a sub-committee meeting on 5th May 2020. The committee (IMCl and AIH) has interviewed Harry Winter who has expressed an interest in taking a bigger role on the committee.
- g) PR, Marketing and Membership. Action with SB who has been unable to progress the matter at present.

Treasurer's Report

RL was not present but the Executive was asked to review RL's report and particularly the accounts for FY2019.

Licensing and events

PB reported back on the Pub in the Park licence. The applicant has lodged an appeal at Croydon Magistrates Court regarding the decision to limit the licence to one year only. PB will continue to monitor. Question now starting to arise about whether the event can proceed given concerns about Covid-19.

Dulwich Estate

IMCl reported back on the meeting with the new Chair of the Dulwich Estate which was attended by DB and PB. The Advisory Group meeting is due this week but will not be quorate due to unavailability of trustees. A job specification has been issued for a new surveyor to replace the surveyor who was due to lead on enforcement. JP and RL have commented on the SOM financial reports supplied by the DE and will continue to do so. It was agreed that the Society would continue to attend the Advisory Group but would focus on getting more transparency and precision in responses, canvas more widely for questions to put to the SOM and get more members of the Society/Committee involved. A further review will be held after the March 2020 Advisory Group.

Society Grants

2019 Grants The final grant sheet has been circulated and will be finalised with RL.

2020 Grants

- Local history – listening post. Mary Green and an actor friend are putting together some suitable text. The post will be located by the Alleyn Statue and nearby bench. Final details are to be confirmed.
- White post repairs – are ongoing and new invoices will be raised with RL. The 2020 grant sheet will then be updated. Approved in principle.
- Sunray Gardens – The committee agreed to award £283 per invoice for a replacement sign affixed to the railings.
- Chair of Dulwich Hamlet PTA has asked about support for a Hamlet Green Screen. No further details at this stage.

Consultations and Planning

- a. 29 Eastlands Crescent – the application has not yet been determined. The Society continues to monitor progress.
- b. 40 Court Lane – no objection but not yet to committee.

- c. Lydenhurst – it is believed that planning permission has been granted by Southwark. A DE Licence will be required. It is unclear how the builders will access the site.
- d. Krishnan, garden back land build on Dulwich Common has been refused by the DE.
- e. 11 Fountain Drive – new information was submitted on 21 January 2020 but not all residents received details of this. Numerous objections on the council website.
- f. Alleyn’s Junior School extension – the Society has posted an objection.
- g. DUCKS extension – no information at this stage.
- h. Dulwich Hamlet Football Club – the Mayor of London has advised that the football club can move its stadium onto Greendale, protected Metropolitan Open Land (building flats on the current site to pay for the new stadium). The Society has already objected to the scheme. The Wildlife sub-committee has highlighted concerns about the use of Greendale and that a new application was filed on 27th Feb (though not affecting MOL). It was agreed the Society should post an objection to this application by deadline 14th March 2020.

Travel and Environment

- a. **Our Healthy Streets.** The closing date for the Phase 3 consultation is 29th March 2020. The Society sent a letter to Highways drafted by the Travel and Environment Sub-Committee stating that the Society would be guided by its members. The Society has played a role as a member of the OHS working party helping the Council to shape their messages and solutions alongside RAs, Safe Routes, councillors and officers. The Society has also been encouraging individual residents to respond as well as sports clubs, traders and other organisations. So far there have been well over 1500 responses to the council survey and a very good attendance at public meetings, but opinions are divided over the scheme, particularly over the closure of Dulwich Village Junction and the proposals in Turney Road. The council will review the results of the scheme and decide whether there is support for their solutions. The officers will then decide what solutions to progress and model them using TfL models. A further round of consultation will follow in the autumn at which point the Society having considered views from members will be able to send a further response to the proposals.

Other Dulwich Issues and Any Other Business

- a. Local crime and police response updates are covered in the Chair’s report. There was a presentation from the new Borough Unit Commander at the February South Area forum. He has promised better communication of progress with solving crimes and better information on crime trends. Crime remains a major concern locally, and there were many questions from residents at the February meeting. The next SNP meeting is scheduled for 29 April 2020.
- b. South Area Forum – 21st March 2020. There is some doubt whether this will go ahead due to Covid-19 but it was agreed that the Society will not have a stall at the conference should it go ahead.
- c. Gilkes Development – 19/AP/1788 the Variation Minor Material Changes application was granted on 7 Feb 2020. The Society has asked local councillors and Helen Hayes to seek a residents’ liaison group meeting with McCulloch’s to discuss progress. Dawn Taylor has reported some activity on the site.
- d. Shop developments – there is still no firm news about potential occupants of the former Barclay’s Bank in Dulwich Village and the former Lloyd’s Bank in West Dulwich.
- e. Herne Hill Society – IMcl and SB met Colin Wight and Pat Roberts on 31st January 2020. The Dulwich Society has made it clear that we would not approve a merger of the societies (this was also confirmed in writing). The DS was able to offer several suggestions to CW and PR

and it is understood that HHS has found some people to take on committee roles including Chairman. Their AGM is taking place in mid-March.

Date of next meeting – 11 May 2020, 7.30pm, St Barnabas Library

Sue Badman – The Dulwich Society

Executive Meetings in 2020: 11 May, 13 Jul, 14 Sep, 9 Nov – 7.30pm at the St Barnabas Library.

2020 AGM – Monday 27th April 2020. Crown and Greyhound

Appendix 1

Executive Committee - Declarations of Interest as at 9 March 2020

Ian McInnes – Friends of Dulwich Picture Gallery (Chairman); Dulwich Village and Dulwich Wood Ward Safer Neighbourhood Panels (Member + Deputy Chair of DV SNP). Son Tim McInnes is Chair of the Herne Hill Velodrome Trust.

Diana McInnes - Son Tim McInnes is Chair of the Herne Hill Velodrome Trust.

Sue Badman - Dulwich Events Partnership (DS rep), Safe Routes to School Group (Attendee)

David Roberts – Volunteer at the Village Orchard in Dulwich Village.

David Beamish – Parish of St Barnabas, Dulwich (Deputy Churchwarden); Dulwich Deanery Synod (Hon. Secretary); Southwark Diocesan Synod (Member); Friends of Dulwich Picture Gallery (Committee Member); Member of the Southwark Diocesan Council of Trustees and of its Audit and Risk Committee; Volunteer at Dulwich Picture Gallery; Dulwich & District U3A Committee Member; Volunteer at Dulwich Village Infants School.

Alastair Hanton - Southwark Living Streets (Member); Dulwich and West Norwood Climate Change Coalition (Member). Son Angus Hanton is a Trustee of Bell House.

Adrian Hill – Camberwell & District Allotment Society; Stradella and Springfield Residents' Association (Committee Member); Friends of Crystal Palace Subway (DS rep); Abbeyfield Dulwich Society Ltd (Trustee and Executive Committee Member).