



Minutes of Meeting on Wednesday 24th June 2020, 20.30 - 21.30

Venue: Skype Meeting

Members Garden & Social Committee

Present: Sophie Thorpe (ST Chair), Jill Goddard (JG Vice-Chair) Julie Lewis (JL Minutes), Umran Malik (UM Chair TMO), Sirajul Islam (SI TMO Manager)

No	Item	Action
1	Welcome, introductions, apologies for absence & minute taking	JL
	JL welcomed everyone and agreed to take the Minutes.	
2	Declarations of interest	
	None	
3	Matters arising not on the Agenda	
	<p>There had been a number of complaints about certain childrens' activities in the courtyards. Although chalk can be removed by water, it is unsightly until it rains and Silva does not have time to remove it on a daily basis, it is therefore considered to be graffiti. All agreed to endorse the courtyard rules: No ball games; No graffiti.</p> <p>It was acknowledged that children need an outlet during lockdown and Marco Sonntag had kindly donated a ping pong table. This was considered suitable for the Delarch/Algar garden.</p> <p>As there was an overlap on issues currently under discussion, it had been agreed at the TMO Board Meeting earlier in the evening to merge the Garden & Social Committees. JL stood down from Chair of the Garden Committee, ST volunteered to be Chair, JG offered to be Vice-Chair. JL would handover to ST.</p>	JL/ST
4	Update on Delarch/Algar garden upkeep.	
	<p>The Delarch/Algar garden had been neglected for some weeks when the gardeners could not gain access. SI had installed a new padlock with a code to replace the FB14 lock. JL had checked with Southwark and because the garden is not on the FRA escape route an FB14 lock was not required. JL met with Just Ask gardeners 11/06/20 when they came to mow the grass and instructed them to trim some of the bushes. Silva had also done some trimming and weeding and it was looking better. Just Ask were asked to quote for removal of the rubbish at the back of the garden and the lavender which is infected with a beetle. They promised to return</p>	

	<p>25/06/20 to mow and prune more bushes. The quote for rubbish removal was accepted and would take place 26/06/20.</p> <p>Worralls had quoted £108 to come and look at the Tool Box lock which was unworkable. It was not considered a priority at this time.</p>	
5	Green Space Survey	
	<p>The Green Space Survey had gone out to residents via the TMO website. Although the closing date is 30/06/20, there were sufficient responses for SI to summarise the most pressing needs. Most residents wanted access to the Delarch/Algar gated garden but many had concerns about ASB, litter, dog fouling etc Many respondents wanted fob access but it was felt that fobs could be passed on to non-residents also the hours of access would become unregulated. (A summary of the initial findings is attached.</p> <p>A more comprehensive summary of the survey results would be discussed at the next meeting and be posted on the website.</p>	
6	Delarch/Algar gated garden.	
	<p>In view of the initial findings of the survey the following was agreed: Delarch/Algar garden to be opened to residents on a trial basis from July 4th to end of Sept: Opening times: Monday closed Tuesday 2pm – 8pm (Silva to unlock) (volunteer to lock up and it was agreed that two people are needed to close the garden in the evening due to personal safety issues) Wednesday closed Thursday 2pm – 8pm (Silva to unlock) (volunteer to lock up) Friday closed Saturday 11am - 7pm (Volunteer to unlock and lockup) Sunday 11am - 7pm (Volunteer to unlock and lockup)</p> <p>The Code of Conduct was agreed as the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No Dogs ● No Litter ● No excessive noise ● No music ● No BBQs ● No food or drink ● W&Q residents Only ● No ball games (only table tennis) ● Residents may use the space at their own risk ● Children should be supervised at all times <p>Keep the gate shut at all times.</p> <p>This is all subject to the Government Covid-19 rules on social distancing and no more than 30 people gathered at one time, 1 metre distance apart.</p> <p>JL to organise volunteer gatekeepers and ST will add them to the Garden & Social Committee Whatsapp group..</p>	JL/ST

	ST to organise communication of this action to residents. Phase 2 of the Green Spaces Survey will begin investigating requests to grow fruit/veg/flowers, etc.	
7	Committee Members	
	JL and UM suggested a few names to join the Gardening & Social Committee. They would be asked if interested and the Board would need to approve.	JL/U M
8	Next meeting	
	Fri 3 rd July at 09.30 to review the survey findings in full.	
9	AOB	
	JG had put in a bid for Southwark CIL funding. We would know in July if successful and then residents could use the W&Q website form to make suggestions on its use.	