



## Vauxhall Gardens Estate Residents and Tenants Association (VGERTA)

### Committee Meeting Agenda

When: Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 6:30pm – 8:00pm

**Where: Carmelita Centre, 41 Vauxhall Walk, SE11 5JT**

Agenda Item	Information
<b>1. Welcome; Introductions and Apologies</b>	<p>Present: Jean, David, Alison, Sukant, Jerome, Jen, Clare, Philippe, Tony Carroll, Cllr Jon Davies, Shanice (Lambeth Council Officer).</p> <p>Apologies: Zoe; Karina</p>
<b>2. Pedlars Park</b>	<p>Sukant Chandan and Jerome came to talk about Pedlar's Park. Sukant from a background of permaculture and Jerome is on a horticultural course. Sukant volunteers at the City Farm doing gardening. The side Park at Pedlars Park would be a good spot to develop a community garden and forest. Sukant asked who to speak to. Jean suggested contact Kevin Crooks or Theresa Hoare or Mike Penny.</p> <p>The Committee agreed that they would like to support to this initiative.</p>
<b>3. Graphite Square</b>	<p>David will present</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed to co-opt David back on to the committee and for him to chair a sub-group dealing with planning and local developments, particularly opposition to the Graphite Square Development which is going back to planning with a proposal for 14, 12, and 13 storey towers. David, other residents and councillors all spoke against the development at planning previously, which was refused. Vgerta thanked David, Chrys, Yvonne, and the Councillors for all their hard work on this.</p>
<b>4. Minutes of the previous meeting</b>	<p>Carroll reported back that flowers had been bought for Bob's funeral which she attended with Jean. The committee thanked Carroll for representing VGERTA and for sharing that Bob had a fitting send off.</p>



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<b>5. Treasurers financial statement</b>	The balance in the Community account is £2191.55, and in the Ringfenced account contains £7506.06, representing a grant for work restoring a garden.
<b>6. AGM Planning</b>	<p>Clare has met with Karina who indicated that Lambeth Resident Engagement wanted the AGM to take place earlier than Christmas. Karina also shared that many other TRAs have their AGMs in the evening and they are well attended so we may in future consider holding the AGM on a weekday evening. Karina suggested that if each committee member could persuade 10 residents of the estate to come along that would meet the Quorum requirements.</p> <p>It was agreed to hold the AGM on the 5<sup>th</sup> of October between 2 and 5pm and hold the 20minute business meeting at 3pm. We will hold the raffle at the end of the meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed to have face-painting and balloons for the children and massage for the adults again.</p> <p>It was agreed to distribute the leaflets in two rounds: one quite soon and another in the week before the AGM.</p>
<b>5. Comms</b>	The website is gradually progressing, and the subscribe button has been made more visible for the newsletter. Philippe is posting items as they come through.
<b>8. Building management and maintenance</b>	<p>Jean reported that the Area Management Board met and forgot to inform her of the dates. She is still going to the fire safety panel. Clare attended the community safety neighbourhood meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed to put dates and times of estate walkabout on the website - action for Philippe.</p>
<b>9. Policies</b>	<p>Frequency of meetings.</p> <p>The next meeting will be the 8<sup>th</sup> of July. There will be no meeting in August, and an early and late September meeting to prepare for the AGM.</p>



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	<p>The Policies will be reviewed at the Early September meeting</p>
<p><b>10. Any other business</b></p>	<p>Asafo: There is not enough money being paid by resident eng to cover the costs of the drumming class and Resident Engagement's budget has been severely cut. Jon pledged £320 from an anonymous benefactor and the Committee unanimously agreed to provide the additional £180 to make up the shortfall for this term's funding.</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed to repay Carroll the £30 she paid Asafo for the week we didn't have funds.</p> <p>Asafo agreed to tell Jen how many children are attending each week and how many of them are able to pay £1</p> <p>Children's activities are to become a standing Agenda item.</p> <p><b>Other AOBs</b></p> <p>Jen has invited a group to work on the garden to tidy it up for the summer. It was agreed to give her a budget of £100 for this.</p> <p>Jean has met with Amanda to discuss possible murals for the tunnel underneath Coverly Point.</p> <p>Jon reported that Tesco will be closing temporarily and there will be redundancies. It is worth asking them if they can divert their bus to the Old Kent Rd Store during the time of closure.</p> <p>Jon would like to call a public meeting about Anti-social behaviour in some of the courtyards of the Estate. It was agreed that the Carmelita Centre would be made available for this.</p>
<p><b>11. Date and Time of Next meeting</b></p>	<p>6.30pm Monday 8<sup>th</sup> of July 2019</p>