Britannia Square Residents’ Association

COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 18 May 2021

at 8.00 pm by videoconference

1. Attendance

Present: Robin Dallaway (Chair)

 John Ball

 Ella Blankstone

 Ann Cowper

 Carol Inman (Secretary)

Apologies: Clive Collings

 Ian Terry

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting & Matters Arising

**2.1** The minutes of the previous meeting held on 20 April 2021 were agreed.

**2.2** Matters arising were dealt with under the relevant agenda items.

1. Future events

**3.1. Street clean**

Ian had been in contact with Lisa Smith at Worcester City Council about a Street clean but a suitable date had not yet been agreed. Ann commented that a Sunday in early July would be preferable.

*Post meeting note*: On 21 May, Lisa advised Ian that the event could be held on Sunday 4 July.

**3.2 Summer party**

John had spoken with Laura Brown, RGS Springfield’s Headmistress, earlier that day and been advised that the school’s sports day had been re-scheduled to Friday 25 June with attendance restricted to pupils and teachers. Laura was happy for the BSRA party still to be held on Sunday 27 June but there would be no access allowed to the school building.

The format of the party was discussed and the possibility of a having a theme. However, with there still being a great deal of uncertainty about whether social distancing rules would be lifted in line with the Government’s road map on 21 June, it was recognised that final arrangements would have to be made in the days immediately before the party date. This would include a leaflet to all households to confirm the date.

It was agreed that an email to residents should be prepared advising them of the provisional date for the party and requesting help on the day, particularly to organise activities for children and provide entertainment. Carol offered to draft this and circulate it to the Committee for review. A similar message would also be posted on the BSquOSH WhatsApp group.

 **Action: Carol Inman**

*Post meeting note:* A “Save the Date” email was sent to residents, local Councillors and Lisa Smith on 27 May with a similar message to the BSquOSH group via WhatsApp.

1. Website sponsorship

The Estate Agents, Andrew Grant, were currently the only sponsor of the BSRA website, with renewal due in July 2021. Ella had already discussed sponsorship with Fisher German and, in principle, they were prepared to pay £200 p.a. The possibility of seeking sponsorship from other local businesses was discussed, such as lawyers, interior designers, architects and those run by local residents. Ella agreed to finalise the arrangements with Fisher German.

 **Action: Ella Blankstone**

1. Dates of future events & meetings

**2021 – All dates provisional. If restrictions continue, Committee meetings will be held by Zoom.**

Sun 27 June - Summer party, RGS Springfield

Sun 4 July - Street clean

Tues 21 September - Committee meeting, 50 Britannia Square (John Ball)

Fri 12 November - AGM, URC, Albany Terrace

Tue 16 November - Committee meeting, 4 Stephenson Terrace (Carol Inman, Ian Terry to chair)

Sun 12 December - Christmas Carols party, RGS Springfield