

CHARLTON SOCIETY

ZOOM COMMITTEE MEETING

7 JULY 2021 AT 7PM

PRESENT: Carol Kenna(CK), Roden Richardson(RR), Angela Burr(AB), Ruth Dodson(RD), David Gardner(DG), Rick Newman(RN), Pauline Langley(PL).

APOLOGIES: None.

1 MINUTES: Passed.

2 MATTERS ARISING:

Garrison Church arrangements: RR, RD, AB and PL agreed to help out at the Garrison Church event on 28 July which is being held between 3.30 and 7 pm. CK said if necessary she would deliver CS equipment. AB said she had been to a previous similar event and it had finished by 6pm as by then all visitors had

left and thought this was likely to be the case on 28 July.

3 FINANCES:

i CK said as of 21 June the bank balance was £3215 45p. Also the amount she had left from the £1000 she had been given to run CS was £491,98p.

ii CK said that although she was willing to manage CS finances temporarily, it was too much to have to do the job of treasurer as well as her own. She would ask GC if he wanted to continue to be treasurer, but she had been emailing him and getting no replies. She said it was imperative that CS found a new treasurer if necessary by the AGM and asked members to try and find one.

iii CK said that she would do this year's CS financial report, but she could not do the previous years as she did not have the information. GC needed to do it as he had it.

iv CK said it was imperative that the signatories problem was sorted out ASAP and she needed a paying in book. DG said he would phone the bank the following day and sort it out and look into online banking. It was also agreed he would look into the feasibility of CS getting a tablet which would enable individuals to make payments on line.

v The Charity Commission annual report form was mentioned and would be filled in.

4 PLANNING:

i RR spoke about the previous evenings Greenwich Council planning meeting attended by CT members where they had put forward their objections to the

Aitch planning application. He said that owing to meeting time limitations due to covid restrictions there was only time for the Council planning officers and CT residents to put their points of view and the meeting and Aitch's own presentation was deferred to the 20 July. He also mentioned that the chair had made negative comments about CT representatives viewpoint.

ii RR said he was afraid that the planning committee councillors would forget the content of CT's objections by the time of the next meeting. He thought that CT members notes should be sent to the council planning committee to refresh their memories before the next meeting. This was discussed and it was decided that RR would speak to Brenda Taggart and ask her to send the notes to Jean Riddler and ask her to circulate them to the councillors about 5 days before the meeting.

iii CK said that she, AB and RR had met up with Rebecca Duncan, the Council Conservation Officer, in the village and walked around the village together. The possible local listing of the Belvedere at no 1 the Village and the White Swan was discussed. She said with the right supporting historical data this was quite possible. CK said she would carry out the necessary historical research.

iv RN also mentioned that St. Lukes had received a grant of £9000 from Greenwich Council to renovate the front of it including replacing the notice board and bin.

v RR referred to the Antigalican Pub which is now surrounded by plastic sheeting. He said he would phone up the Council to find out the state of affairs.

5 PUBLICITY/WEBSITE:

i RD said she was in the process of putting the resumes of Michael Passmore's and Mary Mill's talks on the website.

ii The postcards were discussed and CK said she had had a reprint made of some of the postcards and would give them to PL soon. The state of play with regard to the Charlton Walks pamphlet was also discussed.

6 SAVE OUR VILLAGE ACTION PLAN (SOVAP) UPDATE:

CK is giving the CS society talk on 17 July and a major focus would be the Save Our Village Action Plan. She had earlier circulated a revised version of the discussion document. This was discussed and CK asked if anybody had any suggestions for improving it to let her know by the weekend. The state of planters in the village high street was referred to in the document and AB said that she would phone Tony Bigwood again. CK said that he was ill and suggested John Porritt. AB said she would find out the situation. A future project for renovating the high street was discussed. It was also suggested that CS should enter the Greenwich in Bloom competition next year. It was

suggested getting Charlton Community Gardens involved. It was mentioned that the bin near the Chemists was an eyesore and dangerous. RD said she would get in touch with the Council about it.

7 AOB:

i It was agreed CS would hold a game of croquet for members in Charlton Park on 21 August. CK said she would supply the equipment.

ii A discussion was held as to what CT was. DG saw it as a coordinating group that brings together local community groups.

iii DG brought up the subject of the Parliamentary Boundary Commissions proposed parliamentary constituency boundary changes. He suggested that CS should send in a positive letter supporting and thanking it for retaining Charlton intact (minus part of Hornfair). It was agreed that DG would draft a letter and CK would send it to the Commission.

iv CK said face-to-face CS meetings would not start before September.

v PL said that 2 new members had joined the society.

vi CK said she would be standing down as chair at the AGM. RD said she was willing to take over the role.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 4 August 2021 at 7pm.