Brighton Marina Neighbourhood Forum

MINUTES OF FORUM STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD AT THE ESTATE OFFICE Thursday 23rd November 2017 @ 10:00

Attendees:	Andrew Knight	BM Estate Management	AK (Chair)
	Andrew Collumbell	Premier Marinas	AC
	Ken Sainty	Resident	KS
	Keith Malcolm	Resident	KM
	Mary Pett	Resident	MP
	Kirsty Pollard	Savills	KP
	Demelza Cooper	Administrator	DC
Apologies:	Rebecca Fry	Brighton & Hove City Council	RF
	Katie Sullivan	Administrator	KAS

1. Apologies

Rebecca Fry & Katie Sullivan sent their apologies.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

- An amendment was noted by MP to the third bullet point of section 3, adding that not only should we contact local MP's, we should also contact local counsellors.
- Regarding point 7, it was noted there are no job descriptions for the role of secretary and treasurer, but MP raised whether these should be done. She suggested maybe KAS could draft something.

KAS

 MP raised that some members of the forum have fedback that they haven't heard anything from us and suggested maybe as secretary she could feedback to them.

MP

3. Data Protection

- Prior to the meeting KAS circulated suggested wording to be added onto the new membership application forms, as well as a statement to be added onto the website to cover the forum for all existing members.
- All agreed they were happy with this wording except for:
 - MP suggested we added 'and of the development of the neighbourhood plan' after stating the details will only be used for the forum.
 - MP also suggested that where eligibility is stated, we should explain what that eligibility is i.e. living and working in Brighton Marina.
 - MP added that we should include how a member may resign i.e. via email to the Brighton Marina Neighbourhood Forum email address.

4. Website

- All agreed that the current website's layout is functional and easily accessible to end users and we would only look to modernise it when we have more content.
- All agreed we should add a link back to the main Brighton Marina website.

5. Training

- Prior to the meeting KAS circulated details of a basic consultancy/training session provided by Trevor Robert Associates for £995. MP noted that she has met the trainer in question before and he would be good for the job.
- Funding would be needed to pay for this training. It was suggested that KAS might be able to investigate funding. MP noted that grant funding might be an option.

6. Neighbourhood Plan - Draft Vision

- After everyone shared their views of the Marina in the last meeting, KAS compiled this into a written draft along with feedback from Eugenie from the Sustainability Workshop. All agreed this was a very helpful start.
- After discussion about a few points we wanted to change, all agreed more definition if required.
- KS noted that we want a loose enough vision to cover all areas if something unforeseen happens in regard to the CIL or if our vision changes.
- MP requested that KAS send a Word version of the draft.
- All agreed to continue discussions on this until we are happy with the final draft

7. Constitution Amends

- All agreed they were happy with MP's proposed amendments to the constitution except for the following:
 - Point 1, we will have a footnote describing the definition of a resident as we want to be inclusive.
 - Point 2, we want to use the word 'ineligible' instead of 'unsuccessful' as we don't want to be arbitrary, we only need the option to remove trouble making or rude members.
 - Point 6 paragraph 1, we will meet 3 times a year with subsequent meetings as deemed necessary.
- KAS to draft an amended constitution for tabling and approval at the next full forum meeting.

8. Community Infrastructure Levy - Response

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- A discussion was had on the potential benefits of our influence and concerns, along with the section 106 requirements and affordable housing requirements.
 This could provide additional hindrance to commercial viability.
- All agreed that we want to write a letter of response to demonstrate we want to use our influence, as the Neighbourhood Forum, on how the levy is spent.
- AK to draft something as a first step in response to the council consultation, the deadline is 10th December to submit a response.

ΑK

9. Any Other Business

• No further business to discuss.

9. Dates of Future Meetings

- Date of next meeting: Monday 8th January at 11am
- All agreed to meet every 2 months. Dates of future meetings:
 - Thursday 8th March at 2pm for a Forum Meeting
 - Wednesday 16th May at 11am
 - Potentially the last week of July TBC
- All agreed we should have a forum meeting to report on progress and approve the changes to constitution.
- DC to distribute dates to Rebecca Fry & Councillors Hyde, Mears & Miller.

DC