Minutes of a meeting of the Herne Hill Society Committee held at 6:00pm on Tue 3 September 2024 at Dorchester Court

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Present: Rebecca Tee (RT), Chair; Laurence Marsh (LM), Vice-Chair; Lyndon Fothergill (LF), Treasurer; Ros Glover (RG), Membership Secretary; Susie Perring (SP), Secretary; Henry Ferguson, George D

Apologies: Martyn Hall, Lin Proctor

RT welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced George.

2. MINUTES OF 2 JULY COMMITTEE MEETING

With a couple of minor corrections the minutes were accepted Action SP

- * LF wanted it noted that he did not agree to "look at how many grants we have given out since 2019".
- * LF has not yet finalised the accounts raised from recent events.

3. WELCOME (GD)

All members of the Committee gave a brief background of their involvement with the Society. GD explained his interest in joining the Society.

4. PERFORMANCE STATS (RG)

RG presented latest performance figures. Subscriptions are due annually by 31 January. It would be sensible to switch from standing orders to direct debit payments, despite the initial work involved. **Action RG and LF** to look at the Camberwell Society website re membership costs.

Note 88 members paid the concessionary rates; 30 have not signed up for Gift Aid. We should publicise Gift Aid on Facebook and Instagram?

5. FINANCE (LF)

Accounts are up to date and all invoices paid. The printing bill for the magazine is yet to arrive (new issue is due this week). Herne Hill Festival have submitted a Small Grant application although they have £500 unspent from a previous grant.

Action RT to check relevant emails. LF will check records and speak to MH.

There was a discussion about reprinting Sunset over Herne Hill. Another 200 copies?

Should the price go up from the current £14.50? Our publications vary in price but this is our most expensive. Agreed no change in retail price.

Other publications: should we reprint *Herne Hill Personalities*? Agreed not to reprint.

However, the charge for packing and postage does not cover the cost. Further discussion needed. There was discussion about postcards for sale at events.

Laurence has a collection of old postcards with images of Herne Hill. These could be reprinted, and possibly also as folding cards.

Printing estimate (not incl. envelopes)

A6 postcards single side = $100 \times £23.00 \quad 200 \times £40.50$

A6 postcards double side = $100x \, £35.50 \, 200x \, £64.00$

A6 folding cards = $100x \pm 40.50 + 200x \pm 74.00$

There might be an additional artwork charge.

6. PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION (RT)

RT suggested a photo competition with three categories:

Nature, heritage and people/animals (we should not encourage photos of children).

There could be an award, e.g. photo used on the cover of the magazine; cinema tickets (Whirled Cinema), meal at The Half Moon? Ask shops for donations.

NB. Should there be an entry fee? Or can you only enter if you join the Society? No decision made.

7. PLANNING (LM)

All very quiet at the moment.

8. OTHER UPDATES

History Cluster: Adrian Gibson, Kara Tritton and a new member.

Ian McInnes and Sharon O'Connor from the Dulwich Society are also interested.

The shops project will include Herne Hill (the road), Half Moon Lane, Dulwich Road up to Rosendale Road and Loughborough Junction.

Action LM to meet with the History Group in late September.

9. AWARDS

There was a meeting to discuss the Excellence Awards (RT, SP, KT).

RT will start by researching and assembling information for the introductory brochure and application form. RT will contact relevant interested parties.

Deadline for entries FRI 31 JAN 2025

Awards event THU 22 MAY 2025

10. LOCAL HISTORY FAIR

The Fair will take place on Sat 7 September at St Leonard's Church, Streatham. RT, RG, LM, HF and SN to attend.

NEXT MEETING: Tue 1 October 2024