

Brandon 1 TRA Meeting @ Jack Hobbs Club

15th January 2019

Committee Members Present:	Tom Lloyd (Chair) - TL Dave Pickard (Vice-Chair) - DP Baboucarr Jallow (Treasurer) - BJ Renata Tairbekova (Secretary) - RT Siobhan Convery - SC Carol Moody - CM
Apologies:	Linda Pickard
Other Residents:	
Visitors / Speakers:	Parisa Herbert - Link Age Southwark

Agenda

- Introductions
- Parisa Herbert - Link Age Southwark - LAS
- Review minutes of previous meeting (November 2018)
- Security of TRA hall
- Press coverage of Brandon Estate, and response
- Update of security, and estate walkabouts
- TRA computer, software, printer, and display screen
- AOB

Introduction

TL opened the meeting, and RT agreed to take the minutes. TL introduced our guest, Parisa Herbert from Link Age Southwark.

Parisa Herbert- Link Age Southwark

Parisa introduced Link Age Southwark (LAS) services, and explained that it is a free befriending service available to Southwark residents aged over 60, or of any age with dementia. It is staffed by volunteers, who spend one hour per week befriending a person matched up by LAS.

Volunteers are unpaid, but their expenses are covered, ie petrol. LAS runs a range of classes including yoga for users. LAS also runs social events, ie meals out, that are open to users and volunteers. Parisa hopes that we can advertise their services to Brandon residents, and also appealed for volunteers.

Parisa shared leaflets to be put up in notice boards. TL agreed to publicise LAS services on the TRA website.

Review minutes of previous meeting (November 2018)

BJ asked that the minutes of the previous meeting be amended to state that they state *'the Talk Talk direct debit was cancelled'* in place of *'he had cancelled any standing orders being paid out of TRA bank account to previous committee members'* TL agreed to make this change.

The minutes were agreed by all present.

Security of TRA hall

TL expressed concerns that the TRA room was being accessed by some other key holders within Southwark. DP confirmed this and pointed out rubbish left on floor by Southwark contractors. TL proposed to change the lock on the door to the TRA room. This was proposed by TL, seconded by DP, voted on, and agreed by all present.

TL to inform Southwark of our intention to change locks. TL suggested replacing the lock ourselves, to save costs.

Press coverage of Brandon Estate, and response

TL expressed concern at the way the estate is being portrayed in the press, and criticised the lazy journalism where unrelated incidents were being associated to the estate. TL said that the press are now associating many crimes and stabbings in SE London with the Brandon estate, citing the Times article, and also the BBC Panorama programme from July 2018. TL acknowledged that there is some gang related rivalry between drill rap gangs, Moscow 17 and Zone 2, but said overall the Brandon is fairly crime free, and a safe estate. DP said that both of the deaths associated with Moscow 17 did not actually take place on the Brandon Estate. BJ mentioned the recent police meeting, held on 5th December, and TL spoke of the multi-agency approach involving the police, young advisors, and Southwark Council.

TL suggested that we address much of this negative press, and publish a positive article on our website. TL shared the enquiry from Southwark News, and suggested that we engage with Southwark News and South London Press, with a view to get the estate presented in a more positive light.

TL to speak with DI Helen Lyons, to get some crime stats, and formulate a statement which could be published on TRA web site.

Update of security, and estate walkabouts

TL informed committee of a proposed estate walkabout, by Cllr Eleanor Kerslake, and visit to CCTV control room, to give insight into security on the estate. Also Southwark had extra funding for extra CCTV on the estate.

Walkabout also being scheduled with Met Police, to identify where best to place any extra lighting and CCTV.

DP informed committee of most recent monthly walkabout. CM asked which blocks were covered, and enquired about Morton. DP said that just Cruden, Walters, Bateman & Cornish were done, as Brawne and Prescott are covered by different estate officer.

TL informed committee that Southwark still squabbling over Jack Hobbs club, and we are waiting for a response from Chloe Newman regarding future uses of Jack Hobbs club.

TRA computer, software, printer, and display screen

TL explained that the TRA have a new, unused PC and printer in the cupboard. DP explained that we got this from an insurance claim related to a water leak. TL asked if any committee members needed to use this PC, as it was unlikely that it would be set up in the TRA room. RT said she could use the PC, and TL said he would help set it up for her. BJ said that we would need to purchase some Anti Virus software, and a copy of MS Office. All agreed.

TL said that we need a decent printer to print out TRA agendas and meeting minutes, as they are currently being printed by SC at her work. TL suggested that he explore asking his former employer for a printer, and that the TRA take out a service contract on this printer, to cover consumables usage. TL to report back to committee on this, and associated costs.

TL asked if the committee should investigate purchasing a display screen, so that we can run some meetings using MS PowerPoint. All agreed. TL proposed acquiring a second hand screen, for a budget of about £100. SC seconded this, and committee voted. All agreed.

Any Other Business

TL	TL informed the committee that the change of bank details is still outstanding. TL arranging an appointment with the bank later that week to try and resolve this. BJ asked if TL could do this on his own?
DP	DP said that there is a lot of old junk in the cupboards in the TRA room, and that some of the CD's there belong to Brian Frampton. DP will speak with Brian asking if he wants them, or else we will dispose of them.
CM	CM informed the committee that she would be unable to attend the February meeting due to prior a commitment.

Next Meetings

Tuesday 19th February in the Jack Hobbs club, at 19:30

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