

**Minutes of a meeting of the Herne Hill Society Committee  
held on Tuesday 7 February 2023 at 6:00pm  
at the Half Moon Hotel**

## **1. Welcome and Apologies**

Rebecca Tee (RT)	Chair
Laurence Marsh (LM)	Vice Chair
Ros Glover (RG)	Membership Secretary and note taker
Lyndon Fothergill	Observer

Apologies had been received from Michèle Arnal, Henry Fergusson, Annie Gelly, Martyn Hall, Ros Jones and Lin Proctor.

As the meeting was *inquorate* no decisions were made.

The Chair welcomed Lyndon Fothergill to the meeting as an observer and potential Treasurer, to replace Martyn Hall when he steps down at the next AGM. If, having attended the meeting, Lyndon decides to accept the position of Treasurer, he will let RT know. At the next (March) meeting, the Committee will be asked to agree to co-opt Lyndon until the formal elections that will take place at the AGM in March 2023.

No declarations of interest were given.

## **2. Minutes of the January 2023 meeting, Action Points and Matters Arising**

The minutes of the January 2023 meeting will be reviewed at the March Committee meeting.

**All to note**

Action points and matters arising from the January 2023 meeting were covered in general discussion and as agenda items.

## **3. Agenda 3: Introduction to Candidate for Treasurer**

RT introduced Lyndon Fothergill as a potential Treasurer when MH stepped down before the March 2023 AGM. Introducing himself, Lyndon said that he had been aware of the Herne Hill Society for some years and liked what he'd seen. He decided that, as he was no longer in full-time employment, he could volunteer as Treasurer. His working background included managing project budgets for the GLA.

## **Agenda 4: Performance Statistics including Finance, Membership and Sales**

Standing Order membership renewals due in January have been received but there are still 158 members to renew by other methods (PayPal, cash, cheque, etc). A further reminder to renew will be in the next, February, e-newsletter and, as a jolt, will include the number of outstanding renewals.

The actual amount of income and expenditure for January has not been provided as yet. The figures will be updated for March.

**Action: MH**

### **Agenda 5: Planning and Licensing**

LM continues to monitor 10 Dorchester Drive and their application for a rear extension. A detailed objection has been submitted to Lambeth (and now on the Society's website). There has also been an application for a wrap-around extension to a house in Brantwood Road. The Society has submitted an objection on the basis of its design and scale.

### **Agenda 6: Herne Hill Excellence Awards**

The judging of applications is happening at the moment. RT and RG recently visited Temple Bowling Club in Sunset Road. Although this venue is just within SE5 it offers the majority of the amenities that are required for the Celebration of Excellence and presentation of the Awards, including sufficient audience space and chairs, a PA system, a stage, a bar and level access. It also has the benefit of being an interesting, historic location. On the negative side it is slightly dark and does not have catering facilities. Car parking is on the street (none on-site) but is on several public transport routes. RT will look at the cost of bringing in "finger food" and if that, plus the cost of the bar, is within the agreed budget for the event she will take this forward.

**Action: RT**

### **Agenda 7: New Society President**

Paragraph 6 of the Society's Constitution allows us to appoint a President (and Vice President). Becky has approached Colin Wight, former Chair and who still does a lot of work for the Society, and he is willing to stand for post. Subject to the views of the Society's Committee, his name will be put forward for the position of President at the March 2023 AGM.

**Action: RT**

### **Agenda 8: AGM Planning**

The 2023 AGM (Thursday 30 March 2023) will follow the same format as that for 2022 and will be on Zoom. RT will assemble the AGM Planning Group (RT, Colin Wight, HF and RG) for a rehearsal in the middle of March 2023. RT will send an email to current Committee members to see if they are willing to stand again. Those intending to stand for the Committee must then provide RT with a proposer and seconder (having first sought their agreement). RT will also approach Sheila Northover to see if she is willing to act as the Returning Officer. Updated PPs will need to be produced.

**Action: RT/All**

**Agenda 9: Herne Hill Shops History**

Work on this project is progressing and the Committee will be updated at the March meeting.

**Agenda 10: AOB**

Stock of *A Short History of Herne Hill* is very low and a reprint will be arranged. Stock of the Ruskin book is getting low and a reprint will be considered.

**Action: RT and LM**

**The next Committee meeting will be on  
Tuesday 7 March, 2023 at 6:00pm in the Snug at the Half Moon  
Please note in your diaries**