Minutes of a meeting of the Herne Hill Society Committee held at 6:00pm on Tue 4 March 2025 on Zoom

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; Martyn Hall; George.

Apologies

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Minutes of Tue 4 February

Approved.

RT will prepare minutes of November and January for posting on the websit.

AGM

Tue 25 March 2025 is the date.

LF will prepare his finance report for the AGM. RT will prepare her report.

There was a meeting of the events team on 13 February.

All members of the Committee will stand again at the AGM.

The guest speaker for the AGM will be Nicky Catto, a Lambeth Tour Guide and associate of Sarah-Jane Miller who spoke last year. She will talk about Railton Road. LF will need an invoice for her fee.

We have set up Eventbrite booking, and the guest talk should attract attendees.

There will be a final tech team meeting at the Bowling Club at 4.30pm on the night with RT, HF, CW. The Committee should arrive by 5:30.

Performance indicators (RG)

We still have 60 members yet to renew; 28 did not renew last year. 1 has rejoined. We should now bring in Direct Debit payments.

RG will put in a plea to renew in the next magazine (April). A better response comes from items in the e-newsletter.

Finance (LF)

LF sent the accounts to Sally-Anne Jefferies on 6 February for checking. She charges a small fee. We are too small to need a formal audit.

We are owed for three book purchases which will be followed up.

Excellence Awards (RT)

A planning meeting took place on 13 February. RT will brief the judges. We had 67 nominations, with a very different type and spread of nominations from last year. RT will email all nominees to inform them about the process.

The event on 7 May at Temple Bowling Club will need helpers on the night.

RT will approach a local employer to support the Awards. We should be asking for more specific donations.

Planning (LM)

No outstanding issues. SP asked about placing an article in the magazine regarding the upcoming appeal against the planning application at Dorchester Court. She explained the issues, including the Go Fund Me appeal. The DCRA will put in an application for a donation.

AOB

MH had a question regarding the PO Box: do we need it? RT and RG to discuss before the August renewal.

The Dulwich Society asked to include their open gardens magazine with our magazine mailing. Agreed: not for those posted, just those hand-delivered.

Please send any interesting photos to George for use in our social media. He will prepare a short piece for the magazine on our Instagram presence.

Date of next meeting TBA.