



Vauxhall Gardens Estate Residents and Tenants Association (VGERTA)

MINUTES OF VGERTA COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
23.02.2021

Present: Chrys, Jean, Carroll, Clare, Jerome, Rahul, Karina, Amanda and Shiri.

- 1) Welcome, Introductions and Apologies
 - a. Apologies from Alison, Ramona and Cllr Jo
- 2) Minutes of committee meeting held on 26.01.2021
 - a. VGERTA Secretary was unwell so no minutes presented
 - b. Chrys agreed to take minutes at this meeting
- 3) Matters Arising
 - a. N/A
- 4) Chair's Report – Jean
 - a. Jean is now the VGERTA rep on the Friends of Vauxhall Pleasure Gardens
 - b. Jean to attend the Thriving North Forum
 - c. VGERTA +Palm House residents to meet to discuss Jonathan St & Orsett St. proposals. Palm House might consider joining VGERTA
 - d. Parking and fly tipping issues around the estate raised
- 5) Food Cooperative – Guest Speaker and Clare/Alison/Jerome
 - a. Siri explained how the co-op network was established.
 - b. The set-up co-op in what available space each community has
 - c. The food comes from 2 different sources
 - i. Buy from shops &
 - ii. Surplus food
 - d. Starter pack to be sent via email.
 - e. Co-op structure explained
 - f. Social space
 - g. Governance, key role Treasurer, membership officer
 - h. Chrys explained our experience with the Vauxhall Energy c-op



- i. Shiri advised that the Food Co-op should have a Separate account, open collective
 - j. Jerome suggested that volunteers from Lambeth could be sourced if we don't have estate volunteer
 - k. Carol stated that she doesn't want to be part of the co-op
 - l. More resident consultation/reach
- 6) Easter Event - Chrys
- a. Chrys, Jean and Amanda presented the Easter estate egg hunt idea
 - b. A mini session to be organised to discuss and agree the details.
- 7) Orsett Street/Jonathan Street Proposal update
- a. Chrys and Jean provided an update from the last Architectural workshop
 - b. Cllr Jo to be contacted to chase the follow up meeting with HFL
 - c. VGERTA met Palm House residents that have similar feedback to us for Orsett St development
 - d. Temporary arrangement at the Orsett St location was discussed.
- 8) Carmelita Centre Management Report – Alison
- a. We still await Lambeth to advise us on the re-opening of the centre
- 9) Financial Report – Carroll
- a. No update since we have no expenses.
 - b. Faulty masks returned at no expenses to us
- 10) Comms/Information Report – Chrys
- a. Estate wide newsletter to be created – paper copy
 - b. Engagement very good via newsletter, website and social media
 - c. It was agreed that we should do a flyer/leaflet in the future to be delivered to all dwellings.
- 11) General Housing Issues – Rahul
- a. Rahul provided an update to everyone on virtual walkabout issues
 - b. VGERTA to tidy the issues log and send it back to Rahul



- c. The log to be attached to minutes and newsletter
- 12) Gardening Project Update – Jerome
 - a. Lockdown easing will help to start the project in Spring
 - b. Newsletter piece to be added
 - c. Incredible edible project site to be agreed after public consultation
 - d. Incredible edible to pay Jerome and Sukant to deliver the project
 - e. Conflict of interest to be reviewed by Jerome and advise VGERTA on his position
 - f. Amanda suggested that a Conflict of interest form to be filled in
- 13) Jahreau Memorial Project/Bromfield Park - Carroll
 - a. Site visit carried out
 - b. Bench around the tree not recommended
 - c. Curved planter inside the fence to be explored
 - d. Rahul to chase and advise what is the update from Mears and tree department
- 14) Wynyard & Sedley Courtyard Project – Alison & Rahul
 - a. Rahul advised that the site visit from Linda Elliot's team has been pushed to March
 - b. No other update
- 15) Any Other Business
 - a. Walkabout likely on 26th February 2021
 - b. Estate resident Leaseholder rep to be sought – advert be included in the newsletter
 - c. Meetings to be moved to the last Thursday of each month to accommodate Cllr Jo's diary
- 16) Date of Next Committee Meeting
 - a. Thursday, 25th March 2021 @ 6pm