

HAM UNITED GROUP CIC -YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUP-CARE ABOUT WHERE YOU LIVE

INCORPORATING PETERSHAM



Minutes of HUG meeting – Library Community Room 19/10/2017

In attendance:

Jill Lamb (chair), Briony Rowland, Gloden Moore, Mary Pitteway, Sufiyo Andersson, David Williams, Paul Brown, Helen Beedham, Peter Silver

Apologies:

Jean Loveland, Jose Medina, Penny Frost,

1. The Minutes of the HUG meeting of 21 September were agreed as a correct record

2. Financial report

Our Treasurer is still away in Peru so no major changes to the financial situation.

3. Ham Close Consultation Updates

There was a stakeholders group meeting on Tuesday 17th October. There is no new information relative to the wider community issues. There is still no definition of ‘financially viable’. Only 1/3 of the units are planned to be ‘affordable’ with 2/3 at ‘market value’. Most people are very tired of the ‘consultation’ process and just want to see progress. Our HUG position is that we are still concerned with the density of the proposal, we would like to see a greater proportion of ‘affordable units and we would like to see a ‘greener’ more innovative plan.

4. Ham and Petersham Magazine

Our text has been submitted for the next issue. Jill will meet with Sarah to discuss the ongoing financing of the magazine before the next HUG meeting.

5. Project Updates

Neighbourhood Forum -The Council is very positive about the plan. Once it is agreed with the Council, it will be assessed by an inspector. The ‘finished’ plan will then go to a referendum, most likely in the summer of 2018.

Green Screen – The next film will be on the 1st Sunday in December. It will be in the magazine.

Library Garden – We have some perennial tulips to plant and all of the beds need tidying. We will schedule a work day soon. Mary will tell Sufiyo the date so that she can put it on the web site.

Grey Court Community Allotment – No one responded to the request for help over the summer. We will use the HUG web site, the library and Next Door to recruit community participants.

MakerLabs – going from strength to strength. Tuesdays are crowded with lots of projects on the go and new people every week. We need to invest in some more equipment.

Ham is Where the Heart is – The event in September at the library was quite well attended, including a representative of the Heritage Lottery Fund. An event the following week at the Ham Village Centre was also well attended and a presentation to the AGM of Ham Amenities was well received. Information is being collated for the web site. 33 have been done and more will be

included in the Easter exhibition.

Meditation Group – Five sessions have been held and all costs for the rest of the year are already covered. The sessions began with 30 people and are levelling out with about 15 regular attendees. Feedback is very positive. There will be no sessions over the Christmas and New Year period but will continue in 2018.

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Green Drinks – is on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30 at the New Inn.

6. Future Meetings

Our next meetings are the **AGM on 27 November at 7:30** with a **Directors' Meeting** before it at 6:30.