**LOUGHBOROUGH JUNCTION ACTION GROUP**

**Minutes of the committee meeting of the Loughborough Junction Action Group Committee held at the Harry Caddick Centre on Monday 5th September 2011 at 8pm**

Present:

Tim Gaymer (TG) (co-chair);

Anthea Masey (AM) (co-chair);

Ben Lewis (BL) (secretary);

Makeba Adera (MA) (webmaster);

Lois Acton (LA) (project officer on 7 Bridges Project);

Angela Akinyemi (AA); Emlin Marshall (EM); Tom Chigbo (TC); Roxanne Persaud (RP); Gerry Evans (GE); Mamading Ceesay (MC)

1. The minutes of the last Committee meeting on the 1st August were agreed with amendments.
2. It was noted that LJAG had successfully gained an extension until June for the Awards for All funding.
3. It was noted that the volunteers handbook and the roles of committee and sub-committee members have been sent to TG for review.
4. It was noted that MA has managed to integrate 7-Bridges into the LJAG website. The Robert Elms ‘We are LJAG’ show is also now on the LJAG website. **Julie has a show to add.** It was **suggested that we add the Evening Standard Deprivation Fund award to the Achievements section of the LJAG website**.
5. **LA agreed to investigate the possibility of having an LJAG stall at the Brixton Farmer’s market.**
6. The group welcomed Roxanne Persaud, a champion of third sector organisations who has offered her services to LJAG to help steer governance of the group. Following a discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of obtaining charitable status it was decided that LJAG aim to form a company limited guarantee. **It was agreed that we would adhere to the requirements thereof, to be reviewed in three months time.**
7. It was noted in the Treasurer’s report that LJAG has received £10,000 from Awards for All and now holds a balance of £16,420.13. A payment of £250 has been made to Cyclooldelic of Paulet Road for cycle maintenance classes at the Marcus Lipton school. Following the success of the SE5 forum, **it was agreed that LJAG should bid for funding for administrative support.**
8. The future of the Loughborough Centre on Angell Road was discussed. John Brewster, the CEO of United Residents Housing is keen to get the centre more actively used. However, it was noted that the hall actually belongs to the Loughborough EMB**,** so John Brewster’s hands may be tied**. But it was agreed that LJAG will support any moves for greater use of the centre.** The Ebony Horse Club is in the process of vacating its office space in the centre. It was noted that LJAG’s office needs heating and Wi-Fi.**It was agreed that LJAG contact John Brewster to seek resolution.**
9. It was noted that LJAG is sponsoring the Up The Junction literary festival at the Whirled Cinema on Hardess Street on Wednesday 5th October, organised by Stella Duffy a local resident. Films to be screened include *Robots of Brixton*, *St Saviour’s School*’s 7 Bridges animation project.. **It was agreed that LJAG sends invitations through its mailing list, advertising the draw of the winning raffle ticket from the 7Bridges Festival. LA to obtain Warrior contacts from Hannah.** As a way of promoting the achievements of LJAG it was agreed that LJAG provide funding for a video camera **(Treasurer to action)**. **Volunteers are needed to clipboard the event.** **AM agreed to contact the South London Press to publicise the event.** It was suggested that LJAG commission a 7-Bridges T-shirt design which could be sold at LJAG events **(Action required).**
10. It was noted that the Oxjam music festival on the 22nd October will be held in six venues around Coldharbour Lane. **Action to be agreed at next meeting.**
11. It was agreed that LJAG donate £250 towards an event on Sunday 23rd October for local residents as part of Black History Month. It was suggested that John Brewster could help with profiling. **AM to action.**
12. The committee received reports from the subcommittees. No further action was required.
13. The committee welcomed Anthea Masey to the post of co-chair and Katy Easton as Treasurer.
14. The next meeting was agreed to be Monday, 4th October.

The meeting ended at 11:00