

## **LJAG's Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 26 January 2021 by Zoom.**

**1. Introductions** Anthea Masey (AM) (Chair), Kathy Jones (KJ) (Trustee), Jan Hegenbart (JH) (Trustee), Jon Nash (JN) (Trustee), Michelle Kane (MK) (Trustee), Tim Gaymer (TG) (Trustee), Clive Francis (CF) (Trustee), John Frankland (JF) (Trustee), Karen Hooper, Charlotte O'Connor (The Platform Café), Jo Gilmour (The Platform Café), Oli Perrins (Grove APG), Leah Hargreaves (Grove APG), Nick Lewis (Grove APG), Emily Myers (Loughborough Farm), Becky Jenkinson (minute-taker), Henry Ferguson (Louden road resident & Herne Hill Forum), Lara Samuels (Rapport Festival Creative Director), Helen Hayes (MP), Rachel Oglethorpe (Peter Minet Trust), Jason Gibilaro, Gerry Evans (Lambeth council), Heather Seal (Farm & Cafe volunteer), Carol Boucher (former Lambeth councillor), Lydia Stone (Loughborough Park), Kate Danziger, David Cianfarani, Mathew Gibson, Sonja Baralic (Lambeth council regen department), Naomi Howgate (Ebony Horse Club); Maria Thacker (Brixton Society), Justin Brady (Ruskin Park community garden), Kate Hogarth (Lambeth council regen department), Councillor Jim Dickson, Marc Cowan, Foluke Taylor, George Hornby (Herne Hill Forum), Rita Grootendorst, Ray Mayabir (Sunshine International Arts), Councillor Donatus Anyanwu  
MP Helen Hayes thanked LJAG for all their activities and for continuing to support the community during the time of Coronavirus - a great example of a difficult time bringing out the best in the community.

**2. Apologies for absence:** Councillors Emma Nye and Scarlett O Hara.

**3. Grove film about Summer of Food and Fun:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFryOf3rrml>.

**4. Minutes of the previous AGM on 16 October 2019:** Agreed

**5. Matters arising:** None

**6. Election of trustees:** All attendees agreed to the election of the following trustees: Anthea Masey, Tim Gaymer, Kathy Jones, Jan Hegenbart, Jon Nash, Michelle Kane, Clive Francis, John Frankland, Hazel Watson, Jeffrey Yussuff

**7. Election of chair:** All attendees agreed with KJ's nomination of Anthea Masey as chair.

**8. Election of vice-chair:** All attendees agreed to the election of John Frankland as vice-chair.

**9. Election of treasurer:** All attendees agreed to the election of Jon Nash as treasurer.

**10. Election of independent examiner:** All attendees agreed to the election of Counter Culture Partners as the independent examiner.

**11. Annual report and review of the year:** AM shared the slides of the annual report and gave an overview of all the projects and their achievements.

**12. Draft accounts for the year to April 2020:** AM shared the draft accounts to be filed at Charity Commission and Companies House. JN confirmed that ten months down the line the accounts position has changed dramatically. All projects are on a sound financial footing and JN gave credit to everyone who puts so much effort in to running the projects. JN offered the opportunity for questions on the accounts.

MK asked about the financial stability of the projects as a result of the pandemic. JN confirmed short-term LJAG had not been badly damaged and had been able to tap into lots of emergency funding. Funding from Peter Minet Trust had given us the capacity to hire Margaret Adjaye as our part-time Development and Fundraising Manager which has allowing us to make more funding applications and to put longer-term plans and budgets in place.

**13. Questions.** GE asked questions on behalf of Councillor Becca Thackray regarding National Grid works in Bengeworth Road; Lilford Road Residence Association; and the Riverside estateredevelopment.

AM requested GE put her in touch with Rosemary Egbe's replacement and LJAG had been sorry to hear of her death.

Regarding the National Grid works, a group of Southwell Road residents had formed the Bengeworth Road Action Group (BRAG) to voice concerns about the large amount of HGV journeys that would be routed through small residential streets causing noise, disturbance, dust and pollution for 5 years and the height of the new sub-stations and headhouse. Councillor JD confirmed that National Grid had set up a community liaison group. Anyone should contact JD or AM if they want to get involved. TG to investigate and comment on National Grid's permitted development application to Lambeth council.

Regarding Riverside: LJAG will be putting in an objection.

**14. Any other business.** Lydia Stone has made great progress over the year with Loughborough Park and is forming a friends of group. The first meeting will take place on Monday 8 February at 7pm by Zoom; all are welcome. Councillor DA, and AM thanked Lydia Stone for all her work.

Councillor JD thanked Anthea and LJAG for being a huge force in the community and helping to regenerate and revitalise the area.

Wish You Were Here, the Farm's social inclusion and informal social prescribing project has been keeping in touch with 3 local surgeries, The Harbour Recovery Centre and a local recovery residence. Special thanks to Bernadette Johnson, Sharon Linton, Dr David Wickstead and teams, Dawn Brecken and Doris Onwuasoanya

**15. Loughborough Farm Crowdfunder film:** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Va\\_UtUdiaLU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Va_UtUdiaLU)

Emily Myers thanked everyone who donated to the crowdfunder and thanked all dedicated Farm volunteers.

Ray Sunshine Arts Cafe is hoping to be back operating from April 2021 and is going to focus on local outreach and work with local organisations.

Naomi Howgate, the General Manager at Ebony Horse Club focused on riding activities and youth support and whole family support. Naomi congratulated The Platform Café and LJAG projects and is looking forward to collaborating.