



**Shakespeare Residents' Association (SRA) and
Butterfield Green Users' Group (BUG)
Minutes of Committee meeting
Wednesday 13 January 2010 at Annie's house, 66 Allen Road**

Present

Diane Dyer	Maggie Chattaway	Andy Clough
Christophe Lutard	Harry Hadaway	Ulla Winkler
Wendy Mitchell	Phil Jakeman	Pat O'Leary
Keith Magnum (chair)	Annie Wilson	Nick Holder
Rachel Murrell (minutes)		

1. Welcome and apologies

Nell Cameron	Karen Alcock	Bron Jones
Tom Barber		

2. Minutes and Matters Arising

- Nov Minutes – approved, with small change to Item 7 (Keith)
- Dec Minutes – approved

3. Updates on Butterfield Green

- **Ongoing work**
Work has begun on the stream. Nell is researching making a [hoggin path](#) (footpath made from gravel, sand and clay) and an outdoor table tennis table.
- **Green Flag**
Maggie is fielding application forms.
- **Love your Park Week**
Possible events: outdoor film show, live music, dog training event.
Please bring more ideas to next Committee Meeting. (Everyone)
- **Next work day**
Sunday February 14th 2-4pm. All welcome.

4. Spring newsletter

Deadline for copy – February 10th (next Committee meeting) (Pat)

- **Publicity re March General Meeting**

We will invite local Parliamentary candidates to speak. If they don't respond positively, we will invite local election candidates. (Keith to issue invites and report back.)

With SWAPA shut, we need a venue. Howard Road Resource Centre? (Keith)

To make local issues 'more interesting', Ulla suggested we look into setting up a 'complaints choir' and set our thoughts to music (see <http://www.complaintschoir.org>)

5. Dogs

Annie's letter template about 'status' dogs was approved, and is to be sent to Diane Abbott MP and Mayor Jules Pipe, and will be posted on the website. (Keith)

Local residents are encouraged to send own versions too, stressing the need for a bye-law requiring all dogs to be on leads on public roads and street pathways, and for police to enforce the ban on illegal dogs. (All)

Barbara Read has offered to act as animal welfare liaison person for the SRA. We agreed it would be useful if Barbara became a street rep for Nevill Road, but that we do not want to create the animal welfare liaison role as an officer post (Keith)

Mayor Jules Pipe replied to a letter from Diane Dyer, saying that Hackney is acting on the dogs issue, with a pilot scheme for dog training classes, and liaison with police, parks and environmental enforcement teams.

6. SWAPA – Multi-Use Games Area (the 'cage' opposite SWAPA)

SWAPA (Shakespeare Walk Adventure Playground Association) is closed for refurbishment for three months. During this period, local children need alternative play areas. Christophe has requested lighting for the MUGA (Multi-Use Games Area) opposite, but has previously met with some opposition from residents on Milton Gardens Estate. It was noted that evening lighting has been very successful in the play area in Walford Road. Cllr Karen Alcock has agreed to help get the MUGA lighting working again. (Christophe and Wendy to follow up)

7. SWAPA – lettings fee for community use of premises

It was noted that future use of the site by community groups will incur a (small) hourly lettings fee in line with its lease condition

8. SWAPA – invitation from SWAPA Chair Sara Milburn for a representative from SRA join its management committee

Wendy said that Cllr Karen Alcock had expressed an interest in doing so – Wendy to discuss with Karen. (Wendy)

9. AOB

- Christophe has offered BUG some unwanted telegraph poles (Maggie, Pat, Annie)
- **Financial Report**
Nick reported that the SRA account was £1,912 in credit in December 2009, and awaits a payment of £500 from The Learning Trust.

Nick suggests that we could apply for non-project funds from the Co-op and other sources to support our running costs. (Nick)

- **Squatters in Church Walk**

The committee expressed shock that Hackney Council has told Diane she is responsible for evicting the squatters. Keith and Karen are helping her resolve the problem.

- **Horizon School:** Wendy and Annie are still in discussions with Elinor from Parks re planting activities for the pupils - no progress as yet, another meeting has been planned . Wendy is now a governor.

- **Summer event 2010:** Harry, Ulla and Andy expressed interest in running an event, and will meet at the Shakespeare to discuss ideas at 8pm on Weds 20th Jan. (All welcome).

10. Dates of next meetings:

- **10 February, 2010** (Committee Meeting) – 91 Milton Grove
- **March General Meeting** (BUG and SRA): 10 March 2010 – Howard Road Resource Centre (tbc)