



## Clissold Park User Group News

### April 2022 Update

#### Attendees:

Attendees: Mark Forsyth (Chair), John Hudson (Vice-chair), Theresa Boden (Vice chair), Isabella Gore (Website rep), Amir Dotan (History rep), Richard Crawford (Biodiversity rep),

#### Apologies:

Caroline Millar (Treasurer), Quinten Geurs (Park Manager), Councillor Sophie Cameron, Delilah Jeary (Secretary)

#### AGM

Opened with comments from Mark Forsyth that before the election of candidates for the Committee takes place, that, as previously advised, he had intended standing down as Chair but as no candidates had stepped forward to stand he proposed staying in position until September.

The meeting discussed CPUG how to address restructuring the organization / changing the model, and how to revitalise attendance and engagement in the user group. The original purpose of the group was consultative and to represent the concerns of the diverse groups of park users; to feedback to, and critically engage with, the Council via the Park Management and the Park Development Board. It was suggested that perhaps we should revisit the group's constitution and consider a different approach and more frequent meetings of User Group. It was agreed to investigate possible different models for the user group and for the elected Officers to discuss before presenting to the next meeting.

#### Re-Election of Officers:

The following officers were re-elected at the meeting:

Chair - Mark Forsyth

Vice Chairs - Theresa Boden & John Hudson

Treasurer - Caroline Millar

Minutes Secretary - Delilah Jeary

Newly elected:

Vice Chair - Richard Crawford

Specialist Reps:

Isabelle Gore (website)

Amir Dotan (History rep)

Richard Crawford (Biodiversity Rep)

Accounts

We started the year with £2806.87 and ended it with a balance of £3659.59.

Copies of the full Accounts can be seen on the website.

#### Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes were agreed without amendment.

Park Manager Report

Not available as Quinten Geurs was unable to attend.

#### Updates

Antiques Roadshow is at Clissold House and Park on the 10th of July. Tickets can be applied for via the Facebook link. The crew will be in the house and park for four days.

Splashpad work in the Bowling Green and Pavilion commences Monday 4th April. It is hoped it will be completed by the summer. The paddling pool, now beyond repair, will not re-open and there will be further consultation about re-development of the space.

Hedging for the Church Street side, alongside the old paddling pool, has been purchased by CPUG and will be planted by volunteers.

Litter picking is happening Sunday 3rd April.

## **Next Meeting**

Saturday 15th May 11am in Clissold House with the option of joining on Google Meet.

We are always looking for people to get involved, do please let us know if you would like to participate. The roles are not onerous, there isn't a lot of work involved. Email us on [info@clissoldpark.com](mailto:info@clissoldpark.com)

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Café Management: new details coming soon

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