

WALWORTH SOCIETY MEETING
7.00pm – 11 May 2017: St Peter's Church, Walworth, SE17.

ITEM	COMMENTS
<p>WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS.</p>	<p>Jeremy welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>Attendees: Jeremy Leach (Chair); Marek Drewicz (Secretary); Norma Lawrence (Vice Chair); Jim Beedell; Steve Crawford; John Whelan; Peta Steel; Grit Eckert; Aaron Burton Crisostomo; Owen Shepherd (Southwark News); Kevin Williamson; Richard Galpin; Jack Pascoe; Liba Hoskin; Cllr Rebecca Lury; Steve Lancashire; Amy Burton Crisostomo, Andrew Bell.</p> <p>Apologies: Apologies were received from: Toby Eckersley; Shelagh Kavanagh; Cllr James Coldwell; Cllr Maisie Anderson; Cllr Eleanor Kerlake; Christine Tan.</p>
<p>1. Follow up to previous meeting</p>	<p>JL reported that Royal Mail had been back in touch following the previous meeting and stated they would like to continue the consultation dialogue with the Society. JL is organising meeting.</p> <p>We have given support to the new Article 4 directions on redevelopment of pubs.</p> <p>JL mentioned the issues with large digital advertising screens. Cllr RL happy to support JL in progressing this.</p> <p>JL mentioned the Banana Bar planning application. The application has been rejected by the Council.</p> <p>The presentation from the people who produce the Peckham Peculiar have not been able to attend to present but hope to at some point in the future.</p>
<p>2. Flint Theatrical Chandlers</p>	<p>Grit Eckert presented to the group on the redevelopment of 39 Queen's Row (Flint Theatrical Chandlers) which is a Grade II listed building. Grit is seeking any help from local people/experts who may be able to help find ways to save the building from being changed to its current commercial usage in to residential properties.</p> <p>JB expressed concerns about ensuring the Council monitored the works appropriately and mentioned another theatrical building on Brandon Street.</p> <p>Cllr RL agreed she would contact the Council's conservation officer and find out about recording what is there in the building currently.</p>

	<p>JL suggested we should check the consultation process to check it was followed appropriately and thanked Grit and her colleagues for raising this with the society.</p>
3. Coronet Theatre	<p>JL discussed ideas of commemorating the end of the Coronet Theatre at the E&C. Ideas included film shorts and the potential for a night of 'music hall'. Members were positive in support for the idea. Liba mentioned the LCC photo archives. JL noted it would probably need to be commercial in nature in terms of a charge for tickets owing to the organisation that would be needed and the costs of the evening to the Coronet. People suggested holding one event only, leading with the Music Hall idea but including some elements of film during the evening.</p>
4. Walworth Festival	<p>JW gave an update to the group on progress with the Walworth Festival programme. The 1st event is Sat 1st July and will link in with the St Peter's Church 'Party in the Park'. Plans include an evening open cinema. SC suggested Charlie Chaplin's Easy Street. PS suggested an Ealing Comedy e.g. Passport to Pimlico. The other dates are the 22nd July, 19th August and 30th September. Volunteers are needed for a wide range of roles. Please contact JW if you can help.</p> <p>whelanjohnwalworth@gmail.com</p> <p>JW also mentioned some grant money which had been given for some 'Walworth Happenings' pop up events from the Neighbourhoods Funds grants by Southwark Council and thanks the three sets of Ward Cllrs for their support for the project.</p> <p>JW also mentioned the 'People's Company' theatre and upcoming events.</p>
5. Walworth Town Hall	<p>JL provided an update on the Town Hall & Library. The Library is due to be brought back into temporary meanwhile use. It is anticipated this will happen in June. Cllr RL mentioned there will be a report made public after the election with an update on the Town Hall. JL mentioned the Walworth Society's survey which has had a good response and that we would continue to gather responses over the summer for submission to Southwark around September time.</p>
6. Walk Elephant	<p>JL mentioned the Walk Elephant project which is looking at the regeneration of the area, walking routes, green links and public realm and how it should benefit the local area as the regeneration of the E&C progresses. JL invited people to attend the walks and will circulate dates of forthcoming events.</p>

<p>AOB</p>	<p>PS mentioned the Pasley Park Fete will be held on Saturday 15th of September.</p> <p>Andy noted there was some new hoardings going up at Manor Place Terrace.</p> <p>OS mentioned the Camberwell Station campaign. JL to circulate the petition.</p> <p>KW mentioned the scaffold on East Street which encompasses Greggs. Cllr RL believes this may, in part, be linked to the new East Street branding.</p> <p>JL mentioned the ACV application for the Thomas A Becket pub. It is understood that the freeholder intends to auction the freehold.</p> <p>JL mentioned the memorial stones on Penrose Street which have been removed for safe keeping. A planning application has come forward suggesting they would be part of the new development of the former swimming pool building on Manor Place. JB has objected to the location, supported by the Society. The consultation period has now been extended to allow for more community feedback to ensure a suitable location can be found.</p> <p>JL mentioned that JW has prepared a safeguarding policy that has been examined and commented on by the committee. The meeting agreed to adopt this policy now that it has been agreed by the committee.</p> <p>SC mentioned the tomb on Morecambe St in East Walworth and proposed a plaque explaining its significance would be good to have. PS noted that funding for information plaques at Pasley Park had come from the Council and English Heritage.</p> <p>GE to investigate if the June meeting can be held at Flints and it is confirmed that the meeting will be held on Thursday 1st June. The address is 39 Queen's Row, London SE17 2PX</p> <p>MD noted he will be leaving to move to France in August.</p>
	<p>Date of next meeting: 7pm, Thursday June 1st. Venue: Flint Hire & Supply Ltd, 39 Queen's Row, London SE17 2PX</p>