**Big Local SW11**

**Minutes of Partnership Committee Meeting**

**Thursday 14 November 2019**

**10.00 am at Providence House**

Present:

Stephen Holsgrove

Donna Barham

Mario De Souza

Lisa Idrisu

Syeda Islam

Robert Musgrave

Marlene Price

Kate Stock

Tessa Strickland

Wendy Speck

Helen Taylor

Also present was David Stone

**Next Meetings –All Thursdays in 2020: 6 Feb; 14 May; 10 Sept and 3 Dec + Xmas lunch**

1. **Welcome and Apologies for absence**Stephen welcomed the new Partnership Executive.   
     
   Apologies for absence were received from Senia Dedic and Jenny Fortune. No apology was received from Felli Ubrette.
2. **Brief Report from the Outgoing Chair**Stephen gave a brief introduction stating that BLSW11 was awarded funding in 2011 and although we did a number of tasters it is time to do something that is deliverable. We have projects in various strands. The Alliance plays a big part in enabling voluntary agencies to get together and strengthen other organisations.  
     
   We have just received agreement from the Winstanley and York Road Joint Venture, but subject to Due Diligence, for £120k pa for 3 years. We are also presenting to Battersea Power Station and other funders. The Alliance is 5 local voluntary organisations working together. The Small Grants project is to enable individuals to start projects and our plans are that Festival should become self-sustainable and our Intergenerational project.
3. **Introductions**
   * **Mario De Souza** lived in the area since 1974. He has noticed that the community changed and will help whenever he can. Was on the original committee but had to give up due to work.
   * **Kate Stock**: Local Ward Councilor and a non-resident. Have relationships and great awareness of what is going on in the area. Have interest in Mental Health, is a lawyer and is on the Education Committee.
   * **Syeda:** involved in the local community since she moved here 10 years ago. Works across all generations. Seven years business experience in project management. Passionate in helping the community.
   * **Tessa:** Was a local Councillor and is non resident. Very keen in creating opportunities and making residents feel important. Interest in the youth voice if we can open the doors with young people. Small grants important. The Alliance opening up co-operation amongst volunteer organisations.
   * **Lisa:** 21 years living in Battersea. Works at Kathrine Low with elderly residents. Like working with the community Interested in helping the community, mental health, youth and the elderly.
   * **Helen:** lived in the area for 12 years, is a Community Pastor at St Peter’s Church and had a charity background before that.
   * **Marlene:**  lived in the area for more than 35 years. Was one of the original members since the pre-set up of BLSW11. Very involved in the community including but not limited to being the senior resident representative of Wandsworth Borough Council. Trustee and Vice-Chair of Battersea Crime Prevention Panel, Chair of the Scholey House RA. Member of the Community Forum of Battersea Power Station for more than 20 years. Passionate about helping people especially those that are vulnerable.
   * **Wendy:** Was a local Councillor and a non resident. Did a lot of community work before that, was a headteacher and is of the view that education is important, lived in Battersea for 18 years. Was a school governor. Like talking to people. Passionate about intergenerational, loneliness, mental health and what we are doing about it, was attending the Alliance meetings.
   * **Donna:** Chair of Kambala RAand Kambala Care. Lived in the patch since 2011. Organised camping trips with the kids to New Forest, SEN champion, took 6 months to find the elderly on her estate. Last year had a BBQ and people who lived next door to each other for 20 years and not spoken with each other became friends.
   * **David:** Paid worker. Offering support and guidance more or less 24/7. Now getting funding to the project through new investment into the community. Prepared the strategy and plan reviewed which was dissected by Marlene, Syeda and Robert. Hoping that by 2025 we have a stronger community with the infrastructure we leave behind.
   * **Robert**: Been in the area since 1973, member of the 1st committee and was the 1st chair. Currently representing the LTO Project is resident led and resident leadership**.**
   * **Stephen:** Outgoing Chair**.** Founded Thames Christian College in September 2000. Passionate in empowering leader and empowering leaders within the community and for seeing people achieve their full potential.
4. **Election of Chair.**Stephen then stepped down and Marlene asked for nominations for the post of Chair. Stephen was nominated by Syeda and seconded by Tessa. There were no further nominations. Stephen was re-elected unanimously as chair for the next 3 years.   
     
   Stephen said that it is important that we have a strong Executive to take us through the next few years. David does an excellent role as the support worker and has been supporting in the communications. The Executive needs to have a proactive role, we have the capacity but need to have the right people and give then the autonomy to get things done and be more pragmatic.
5. **Appointment of Finance Officer and Administrator**The role of Finance Officer is that of just monitoring the budget and approving payment as all our financing is the responsibility of the LTO. We asked Syeda if she was happy to carry on and as there were no further nominations or volunteers Syeda was re-elected as Finance Officer for the next 3 years.  
     
   For the role of Administrator Marlene was again nominated and said she was also happy to continue with the role. There were no further nominations or volunteers so Marlene will continue in the role of Administrator.
6. **Appointment of Project Members**

Stephen advised that we have a number of projects: The Alliance, Intergenerational, Small Grants, the Festival will grow, and we have a number already on the Festival Committee. Tessa stated that she did not think we have opened where the holes are. Syeda suggested that whoever takes on the roles should also project manage and be responsible for chasing people. Stephen then asked for our own thoughts on the projects that we would like to be part of:

* + **Syeda:** was originally looking after the scrutiny of the Alliance and keen to continue with that. Through of joining the Intergenerational where she had already done a lot of work in the community.
  + **Wendy:** International – would like to continue with that project.
  + **Kate:** Keen to help on strategic networking, foot soldier work but not keen on taking on any leadership roles due to work commitments.
  + **Mario:**  keen to support and be on the Small Grants Committee.
  + **Tessa:** Was on the Small Grants but interested in promoting and engaging young people. We are missing what is available for them to do and drawing them into our projects.
  + **Donna:** Small Grants and structure and promoting so that things get done.
  + **Lisa:** Intergenerational and youth. Interested in Small Grants and finding out how it works.
  + **Helen:** Struggle to get to meetings, have an overview of finance and approving invoices.
  + **Robert:** Alliance and chairing the meetings and the LTO. He felt that the person on the Alliance should be someone to grill the Alliance and that PC members should question the Alliance

We then agreed that the following members of the Committees:

* + **Marlene:** Admin, Governance and the Festival
  + **Communications:** Helen with support from Kate
  + **Alliance:** Syeda. However Wendy & Tessa expressed an interest in attending but only on their interest area. Stephen is keen to remain on the Alliance and will try to get to as many meetings as possible.
  + **Intergenerational:** Wendy with Lisa, Syeda and Senia
  + **Small Grants:** Donna to lead and supported by Tessa, Mario and Lisa.
  + **Finance:** Syeda
  + **LTO:** Robert
  + **Management Executive:** Stephen, Robert, Marlene, Syeda and Wendy

1. **Support Co-Ordinator**A meeting will be scheduled to review David’s appraisal and contract.
2. **Any Other Business**  
     
   There were no other matters tabled.
3. **Dates of next meeting**The dates of the next meetings will continue to be listed at the beginning of the Minutes but are as follows. Although the meeting will be at 10 am at Providence House we could see if we could schedule some in the evenings as we have done in the past.
   * Tuesday 17 December – 12.30 pom Christmas Lunch at Fish in the Tie
   * Thursday 6 February 2020
   * Thursday 15=4 May 2020
   * Thursday 10 September 2020
   * Thursday 3 December 2020
   * Christmas lunch – TBA.