

## VINCENT SQUARE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

### AGM and Spring Event

Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 at 7.00pm,  
Grange Rochester Hotel, Vincent Square.

### Agenda

Welcome

1. Minutes of the 2013 AGM, matters arising
2. Chairman's report
3. Treasurer's report, adoption of 2013 accounts
4. Tennis Secretary's report
5. Election of Executive Committee

The following members are nominated for re-election. Members wishing to serve on the Committee are requested to identify themselves.

Mary Maxwell - Chairman and Tennis Secretary  
Richard Harden - Deputy Chairman and Membership  
Jonathan Cole - Treasurer  
Malcolm Neate - Police Liaison  
Anthony Taylor - History & Heritage  
John Randle - Planning  
Felicity Bullock - Website

Any other business.

### Draft Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Grange Rochester Hotel on Thursday 18 April 2013 at 6.30pm.

#### Welcome and Apologies:

Mary Maxwell, Chairman, welcomed all those present to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Felicity Bullock, Councillor Chalkley, the Bursar Chris Silcock, and the Head Groundsman Franklin Barrett.

The minutes of the 2012 AGM were adopted as a true record.

#### Chairman's Report:

Mary Maxwell, paid tribute to Anthony Taylor for stepping in as Acting Chairman following Stephen McClelland's resignation and asked for a vote of thanks to be recorded to him. She explained that a new position of Deputy Chairman had been created to avoid a similar situation arising in future. Richard Harden had agreed to take on that role.

She then gave a brief report on the activities for the year.

The charity selected to benefit from the proceeds of the Summer Party raffle was the Passage and the sum raised was £350. This was presented to Andrew Hollingsworth, their Business Director, who had earlier spoken about the work of The Passage.

Again the Association is greatly indebted to local organisations and businesses which donated raffle prizes, and of course to those present, who with their considerable generosity, helped us to make this large donation.

#### Treasurer's Report:

Jonathan Cole, presented a short report, noting that membership numbers in 2012 had been slightly down on the previous year, from 90 to 83, but not to an extent which was a cause of concern. The cash figure at the balance sheet date was higher than the previous year, but this was because the payment to Westminster School for use of the tennis courts has been made after that date, rather than before, as in the previous year.

#### Tennis Secretary:

Mary Maxwell reported that there were 32 tennis members last year, including two corporates. There had been a marginal loss after the £3,300 payment to the school, but membership rates for 2013 had been maintained unchanged. Westminster School had increased availability for the courts of late, for which the VSRA were very grateful.

The existing members of the Committee agreed to stand for re-election en bloc and were approved nem con. The Committee therefore remained as follows:

Mary Maxwell Chairman and Tennis Secretary  
Richard Harden Vice Chairman  
Jonathan Cole Treasurer

Anthony Taylor History & Heritage  
 John Randle Planning  
 Malcolm Neate Police Liaison  
 Felicity Bullock Website

The formal business of the meeting being completed, Sean Lavant of Westminster Kingsway College gave an interesting talk on the history of the College's Vincent Square home and an account of the improvement works currently under way. The College is one of the few buildings, completed post WWII, to enjoy Grade II\* listed (top 5% of listings) status.

Councillor Steve Summers spoke about local developments. These included: an appeal by Sainsbury's against refusal for planning permission for its proposed Rochester Row store; the opening of a Little Waitrose in Victoria Street; the proposal to close the Greycoat Place fire station (and local opposition thereto); and a proposal to make a cycle super highway along Vauxhall Bridge Road (believed to have been thwarted).

Helena Doyle of Hopkinson House made a short presentation. She noted that the upper floors are now a hospital for recovering alcoholics, with the lower floors taken up by one-bed flats for those recovering from depression-related conditions.

Marcus Tyson of the Metropolitan Police Service recounted various successes that the force has had in connection with violent and drug related crimes locally (if not, generally, in the Square itself). Concerns were raised about people walking threatening dogs.

Thanks were expressed to Mr. Matharu and the staff of the Grange Rochester Hotel for their usual generous hospitality, of which those present were invited to avail, following the conclusion of the formal business of the evening.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm.

<b>VINCENT SQUARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION</b>										
<b>INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT</b>										
<b>FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013</b>										
						<b>2012</b>	<b>2012</b>			
						<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	
Subscription income						1,555		1,675		
Interest income								3		
Tennis section										
Income						3,730		3,440		
Fee to Westminster School						3,564		3,461		
							166	- 21		
							1,721	1,657		
Other expenses										
Bank charges						8				
Website expenses								44		
Gratuities								189		
Printing						18		70		
							26	303		
<b>Surplus for the year</b>							<b>£ 1,695</b>	<b>£ 1,354</b>		
<b>VINCENT SQUARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION</b>										
<b>BALANCE SHEET</b>										
<b>as at 31 DECEMBER 2013</b>										
						<b>2012</b>	<b>2012</b>			
						<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	

