# VINCENT SQUARE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

## Annual General Meeting

Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 at 6:30, Rochester Hotel, Vincent Sq., SW1

### Agenda

- 1. Minutes of the 2009 Annual General Meeting and matters arising
- 2. Chairman's report
- 3. Treasurer's report, adoption of 2008 accounts, appointment of new Treasurer.
- 4. Bicentenary of Vincent Square in 2010
- 5. Tennis Secretary's report, decision on corporate tennis

"Membership of the VSRA tennis section is open to corporate members for the benefit of their current directors and employees (not its customers, clients, agency staff or sub-contractors or others having a business relationship with the corporate member). The VSRA tennis secretary has authority to vary the rules, charges and timing of play for corporate tennis members compared to household tennis members, in consultation with the Chairman and Treasurer."

- 6. Election of Executive Committee
- 7. Any other business

## **Executive Committee elections**

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

Mary Maxwell	Tennis Secretary	
Stephen McClelland	Chairman	
Anthony Taylor	History & Heritage	
?	Treasurer	
?	Planning applications	
?	Administrative secretary	
?	Social Secretary	

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#### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Activity during 2009 prepared for the bicentenary of Vincent Square in 2010. An "action group" of residents met in July, September and November; I am extremely grateful to all concerned for their efforts to organise:

- **Commemorative Wall Plaque**. A plaque has been commissioned from Karen Newman after a competition during the Autumn of seven designs, three of which were shortlisted. The plaque will be erected at the start of November on the corner of 56 Vincent Square, subject to final agreement with the freeholders and planning consent. An unveiling ceremony will be organised. Thanks to Anthony Smith for leading on this project, to the WCC Ward Budget contribution of £6,000 towards the cost of the plaque and to the many residents who have donated; however, more funds are needed.
- **Cricket Match**. A cricket match fixture "Residents v. Westminster School" is being organised for the afternoon of Sunday, 27 June, followed by the Summer Party in the pavilion. Thanks to Steven Zielenski and Jonathan Katz.
- Westminster Abbey Tour. A Dean Vincent-themed tour, followed by a reception on the evening of 9 November. Thanks to Philip Welsh for organising.

WCC responded to requests to mark the anniversary. They planted trees in Elverton, Rutherford and Hatherley Streets and put benches in Hatherley Street and in front of the College. Unfinished business is a historical notice in Hatherley Street, an engraving on the benches and turning Osbert Street into a play street.

A successful Summer Party was held in the pavilion on a damp July evening by kind permission of Westminster School. The tombola raised £407 for The Passage, one of the two local homeless charities supported by VSRA members. Many thanks to those who donated prizes for the raffle and to the team from Grange Rochester Hotel for the excellent food and drinks.

Tennis benefitted from more hours of access offered by Westminster School, compared to previous years. A request from a company on the Square for corporate tennis membership was declined but the question whether to change the rules is before the AGM. I am grateful to Mary Maxwell, our Tennis Secretary, for organising the Tennis Section.

We end 2009 in a strong financial situation. Tennis costs have risen because of the extra hours and these were not fully covered by tennis fees, with the result that VSRA's accumulated funds diminished slightly. To reflect this, tennis fees for the 2010 season have been raised to  $\pm 120$ . In order to proceed with commissioning, the Executive Committee decided to commit  $\pm 3,000$  from accumulated funds for the commemorative wall plaque. I am grateful to Cedric Fan for managing the financial side of the VSRA.

Stephen McClelland (Chairman)

	Accounts Year Ending 31 December	
	2008	2009
	£	£
Assets		
Cash at Bank	12,707	11,366
Total Assets	12,707	11,366
Liabilities		
Payable for web hosting	84	-
Payable for tennis key/fob	20	-
Payable for admin expenses	0	62
Total Liabilities	104	62
Net assets	12,603	11,304
Net Assets Represented by		
Accumulated funds	11,072	12,603
Income less expenditure	1,531	(1,299)
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Income		
Subscriptions Household	960	630
Corporate	200	-
Donations	147	-
Tennis	1,920	1,720
Interest on deposit account	201	42
(net 20% tax)		
Total Income:	3,428	2,392
Expenditures		
Westminster School tennis	940	3,220
Insurance	263	263
Stationary/printing	183	18
Plan of Vincent Square	0	44
Summer party	40	60
Website hosting	84	86
30th Anniversary party	370	-
Bank fees	18	-
Total Expenditures:	1,898	3,691