## The Barbican Association General Council

APPROVED Minutes of the Meeting on Thu, 4 May at 7.00pm in the Lilac Room

## Present (crossed out not present):

**Elected Members:**Adam Hogg (Chair),
Deputy Chair: Ted Reilly

Jane Smith (Planning Subcommittee Chair)

Brendan Barnes Helen Hudson David Bradshaw Randall Anderson Jan Marc Petroschka

Hon Sec: Roy Sully

**Other Members:** 

Tony Swanson (Hon Treasurer)

Jim Davies (Membership Sec)

Sandra Jenner (RCC)

**House Groups Represented:** 

Lionel Meyringer (Andrewes) Helen Hulson (Ben Jonson) Humfrey Brandes (Brandon)

Andy Hope (Breton)
John Taysum (Bryer)
Derek Penney (Bunyan)
Tim Cox (Cromwell)
Helen Hudson (Defoe)
Mark Bostock (Frobisher)
Ian Dixon (Gilbert)

Richard Collins (Lambert Jones)

Gail Beer (Lauderdale)
Martin Luff (Mountjoy)
David Graves (Seddon)
Nadia Bee (Speed)

Brenda Szlesinger (Thomas More) Miranda Quinney (John Trundle)

Mary Bonar (Wallside)
Fionnuala Hogan (Willoughby)

Papers:

Agenda Papers:

Agenda Item 5 – GLERA Co-Operation Paper

Also Received:

Nothing else here.

1.	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies had been received from Mary Bonar (Wallside), Heather Thomas (Lambert Jones) who was represented by Richard Collins, and Alderman Christopher Makin Fred Rodgers substituted for Andy Hope.
2	Election Of Officers
	The Secretary invited nominations for the Chair. Adam Hogg agreed to stand again and was elected unopposed and resumed the Chair. Adam stated that had previously agreed to Chair for three years so this would be his last year in the Chair, although he would continue to work for the Association. Ted Reilly agreed to stand again as Vice Chair, stating that this would be his last year in that office, though he would continue on sub committees, and was elected unopposed. Roy Sully offered to stand for Secretary and was elected unopposed.
3	Sub Committees
	Planning: Jane Smith agreed to continue in the C hair
	Security: David Bradshaw agreed to continue in the Chair
	Traffic: Ted Reilly agreed to continue in the Chair

Energy Efficiency: Ted Reilly agreed to continue in the Chair

	Arts Centre Liaison: Ian Dixon agreed to take over the Chair
4	Dates of Cuture Mostings
4	Dates of Future Meetings  There was general agreement that future BAGC meetings should happen on a Wednesday evening. The dates for the remainder of 2023 will therefore be: 19 <sup>th</sup> July, 20 <sup>th</sup> September and 22 <sup>nd</sup> November.
	ACTION: ROY TO ADVISE MEMBERS
5	Liaison with Arts Centre
	Ian explained that the focus of the meetings with the Arts Centre had changed for the better and that there was now much greater emphasis on encouraging good neighbourliness with the BAGC being consulted on future plans for the Centre.  Ian subsequently circulated a paper detailing how he saw the relationship working.
5.	Motion on Closer Relations with the Golden Lane Residents Association (GLERA)
	Adam thanked Fred Rogers for the proposal he had circulated to create a joint BA/GLE liaison committee. Fred explained that the paper reflected his wish to prevent the Corporation dividing and ruling by playing one housing estate off against another.
	The meeting was unanimous in agreeing that close co-operation with the GLE was highly desirable. There had recently been successful collaboration on several issues of common interest such as the creation of the conservation area. However, it was felt that creating a new committee would be unnecessarily complicated for both the BA and GLERA and instead better progress would be made by the RTAs working together on matters as they arose.
	Adam had met recently with his opposite numbers from several City estates (Golden Lane, Middlesex Street and Mansell Street) to discuss the "Residential Reset" plan which the Corporation had produced. A joint letter had gone to Chris Hayward, Policy Chairman, requesting a meeting to discuss two issues in common: first, the need for formal mechanism for Registered Tenant Associations to deal collectively with the Corporation; secondly, how the landlord plans to maintain our buildings in accordance with their obligations under the terms of the lease. A response from Mr Hayward was awaited.
	Alderman Chris Makin had suggested that the creation of the proposed Neighbourhood Forum might be another way through which the GLE and BA could exert a positive influence in planning matters. Brenda Szlesinger had circulated a link by e-mail explaining how the proposed Forum could work. It would take a while to make it happen but it would be worth the effort. There is already a group working on this proposal and Brenda agreed to answer questions at the next BAGC.
	<ol> <li>ACTION: Adam to circulate correspondence to/from Chris Hayward</li> <li>ACTION: Adam to speak to Tim at GLERA</li> <li>ACTION: All to read information on Link supplied by Brenda</li> <li>ACTION: Brenda to update July meeting on progress</li> </ol>
6.	Any Other Business
	None
7.	Date of the Next Meeting
	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July