

# BRAG AGM

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019, 8.00pm, 63 Burton Road

1.	<b>Apologies</b> Tim, Kath J, Kate, Carmen, Father Martin, Sarah McC
2.	<b>Summary of the year and 2018 events – what we have achieved (finances to be covered in 3)</b> Thank you very much to the committee and volunteers from Dave F, Chair Wonderful events, raised significant funds, formed relationships with other local causes and have had a lot of fun along the way Every year we benefit from knowledge and experience gained in previous years Thanks were given to Dave for being a brilliant Chair for the past year <b>BRaG in Bloom</b> A little low on entries this year but some wonderful back gardens were seen as well as front gardens Possible plan to combine Brag in Bloom with Bric a Brag or ‘Bragin’ and do open gardens – sell a wristband at a minimal price – teas in the Vicarage Garden Need to give plenty of notice to enable planning, planting etc <b>Action plan – send an email out in February or by 1<sup>st</sup> March to gauge interest, leaflet drop which would also boost the mailing list</b> <b>Quiz night</b> A fantastic evening - £983.00 profit <b>Action plan – Plan to do another Quiz this year</b> <b>Street Party</b> A great afternoon - £593.00 profit <b>Action plan – wait and see if an event prompts the need for a street party</b> <b>Oktoberfest</b> Fantastic evening, a major success - £2680.00 profit <b>Action plan – repeat! Provisional date – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2019</b> <b>Play Streets</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Update on status</li></ul> Tim is standing down from a formal role both on the committee and will no longer be able to run Play Streets – a big thank you to Tim from the committee for his hard work over the past few years and for introducing and running Play Streets up to this point <b>Action plan – ask BRaG membership/Heather at St Luke’sChurch to see if anyone might be prepared to run Play Streets with Tim’s advice/support, add to BraG in Bloom leaflet drop</b>
3.	<b>Review of finances and accounts</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Report on accounts: Julie French</li><li>• Surplus for the year is £4119.00</li><li>• £1500.00 to each of the 3 charities (which eats into our reserves slightly but still leaves us with a decent float to go towards rebuilding the shed, up front costs involved in running events etc</li><li>• Purchases made - Gazebos and storage – almost entirely covered by grant from the council</li><li>• Shopping list – shed expenses might be able to be covered by a grant</li></ul> <b>Action plan – look into whether there is a council/local grant we can apply for e.g. shed update (reusing and upcycling)</b>

4.	<p><b>Charity Donations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2018 - Cheques written to KCAH – deliver cheque and take a photo or the newsletter and St Luke’s Church</li> </ul> <p>Action plan – GK to look into Brain Tumour Research and how best to donate the money</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy – no changes</li> <li>• Charities for forthcoming year</li> </ul> <p>Action plan – GK to send out an email inviting people to put forward their proposed charities for next year</p>
5.	<p><b>Newsletter/Membership</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Numbers on the newsletter list – Peter and Allyson were interested in coming along to the AGM, different forms of communication (email, leaflet, door stepping) all worthwhile as they bring in different people, enjoyed events that they have participated in, emails tend to get skim-read, great way to be involved and meet neighbours, scratch choir at the street party was brilliant</li> </ul> <p>Action plan – Proposed Action Plan – one Saturday afternoon – committee and volunteers to door knock in the BRaG streets, hold a working party in the Church/Vicarage Garden, followed by a drink at the Grey Horse or the Wych Elm at the end of the afternoon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comms - How often, what form should they take? Everyone happy with the newsletters and website remaining fairly distinct from each other</li> </ul>
6.	<p><b>Changes to constitution</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If any? – it doesn’t cover anything specific to do with GDPR</li> </ul> <p>Action plan – check whether there is anything we need to add to the constitution by checking an up-to-date template online e.g. liabilities if anything happened at an event or any damage was caused</p>
7.	<p><b>Election of committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee stand down and nominations for roles for next year – thank you to everyone for their hard work in their roles this year</li> <li>• Chair – Dave F</li> <li>• Vice Chair – Lucy</li> <li>• Treasurer – Julie</li> <li>• Vice Treasurer – Glen</li> <li>• Secretary – Dave H</li> <li>• Vice Secretary – Sarah C</li> <li>• Comms – Glen</li> <li>• Events – to be shared amongst the committee</li> <li>• Pool Members – Katy, Caroline, Allyson, Di, Al, Sarah McC, Tim, Kate, Carmen, Ron, Peter, Kath.</li> </ul>
9.	<p><b>Suggestions for events for 2019</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comedy Night?</li> </ul> <p>It was decided to go with the quiz night again this year and consider the comedy again in 2020.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BRaG in Bloom</li> </ul> <p>See above</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oktoberfest</li> </ul> <p>See above</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other smaller events taking advantage of our available resources?</li> </ul> <p>It was agreed that there are already enough events planned for this year.</p>

	<p>Although we are not planning on having a street party a reason might occur.</p> <p>Possibly contact the chosen charities for this year (once selected) and ask them whether there was something we could do specifically for them in addition to raising money.</p> <p>It was suggested that BRaG-in-DRaG might be a potential "fun" theme for an event.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Survey members to find out what they want from BRaG?</li> </ul> <p>Both Peter and Allyson provided good feedback on BRaG activities and it was felt that we were doing the right things.</p>
10.	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• North Kingston Forum. Report from Di Watling and Glen Keywood Di provided a summary of the main concerns of the form. The next big thing is the Local Plan communication. A recent exercise identified &lt;150 potential sites for redevelopment in Kingston, 10 of which are in North Kingston. The local authority are under great pressure from the government to meet the quotas dictated in the London Plan and so far Kingston are struggling to produce the required number of new accommodation. It is important that the forum get as much support as possible as they are the residents only hope of having some say in what developments occur in our the area.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action all: Please complete the NKF survey and ask everyone you know to do so also.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Storage/Shed See above</li> <li>• Vicarage Garden – working party of local residents to tidy up the Vicarage Garden and the gardens around the Church</li> <li>• <b>The next meeting will be on the Wednesday 27th Feb. The venue is to be decided, please do volunteer if you are able to host.</b></li> </ul>
	<p>Amazon – use BRaG link by copying and pasting or bookmarking the link Clicking on links on the BRaG website generates up to 90p per click</p>