



**Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 February 2008, 7.30pm  
held at The Ackroyd Community Centre, SE23**

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**Present:-** BHFUG members:

Alan Bailey (Chair)	Kylie Barnes (Secretary)	Sydney Couldridge	Gavin Bolam
Lara Al-Jabi (Glendale)	Molly Bertrand	Albert Blackmore	Elizabeth Downie
Josh Smaller	Marcel Jenkins	Mike Wright	David Byrne
Malcolm Trott	Pippa Graber	Deirdre Mason	Anne Scott
PCSO Hugh Carrick	David Linton		

**Apologies:-**

Andrew Barnes (Treasurer)	Juliette Flower	Mark Wellband
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**1. Welcome and Apologies**

Alan Bailey opened the meeting.

**2. Minutes of the Last meeting and Matters Arising**

The men's names who installed the bird boxes had not been listed on the web site yet.

Caroline Sefton is to chase the Archaeologists.

A response had been received from Councillor Wise. The Drop kerbs in Brockley View are still on the Agenda as they still remain an issue and some members of the group wish to know why they have been installed.

Affiliation – Alan Bailey is still continuing to resolve this issue.

**3. Committee Resignations and Appointments and New Members**

None were reported.

**4. Potential Funding – Date of Proposed Fun Day**

Kylie Barnes and Alan Bailey applied for funding via Lewisham Council. The funding application was successful and we have been awarded £1,785 to hold an event within the fields which would incorporate the Lewisham Arts.

Pippa Graber was invited along to the meeting tonight as she is a local art dealer. She has held art shows for children and hoped to get them involved with the fun day in mind.

The date for the event was agreed and set as Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2008.

Hugh Carrick (PCSO) will enquire if the Community Police Bus can be used on the day of the event.

There were ideas of holding an auction, raffles, welly wangling, football. However, the suggestion of holding another balloon race has raised issues with how environmentally friendly they are. Gavin Bolam is to look into finding an alternative material that balloons are made of.

**5. Hall Hire**

This issue will be sorted out.

**6. Hedge Planting Dates**

The first date will be Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2008 commencing at 10.30am. Another date was added and it will be held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February commencing at 10.30am.

7. **Dates of the Future Meetings**

Meetings will be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 5 June, 2 October and 4 December with a possible meeting on 8 May should a Fun Day go ahead.

8. **Any Other Business**

a) Logo Re-branding  
Sydney Couldridge and Mark Wellband both submitted their designs which the attendees of the meeting voted on.

b) Catford Development

The proposed development in Catford where approximately 590 homes will be built but there is the issue of increased traffic within the area and how this will affect Catford and the surrounding areas. David Byrne came to the meeting with a petition for members of the group, should they wish to sign it.

c) Facebook

Molly Bertrand suggested the idea of the group setting up an account on Facebook where members could join if they wished to, and it would be an up to date source of information. IT was agreed to set one up which would run along side the current message board which can be accessed via the web site.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

Blythe Hill Fields User Group (BHFUG) exists to represent everyone living around or using Blythe Hill Fields. Our purpose is to achieve sustainable improvements and facilities in this vital resource for the benefit of the whole community. We aim to promote the increased use and enjoyment of this essential open space.