

Observatory Civic Association ManCom Meeting			
Meeting Date	January 28 th 2020	Time	18:00
Minutes By	Michael Strong	Chairperson	Leslie London
Mancom attendees:	Leslie London, Sheila Barsel, Edwin Angless, Marc Turok, Joy Robinson, Tauriq Jenkins		
Mancom Apologies:	Kiki Bisogno, Andy Goedhals, DeVos Rabie, Pauli Walker		
Guests	Michael Strong		
ADMINISTRATION			
Topic	Responsible	Timeframe	
1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES Members were welcomed. Meeting was noted as quorate.			
2. Adoption of previous minutes (October 2019 Man Comm and AGM minutes) As no corrections to previous minutes were proposed, the minutes of both meetings were adopted.			
3. MATTERS ARISING 3.1 from October 2019 Man Comm i) LSDP is still pending for Observatory, Andy is managing the process and must come with the dates (three sessions) for the LSDP workshop. ii) OBSID no longer want the OCA to use their postal address. Chair to write to OBSID to confirm	Andy Leslie	To confirm in his report to next ManCom By next meeting	
3.2 from AGM i) We have an interim secretary (Michael Strong) we do not have an LDG convener, Leslie waiting a call back from David Aitcheson, to fill LDG position. Michael Strong must sign on to become OCA member. ii) We had an inquiry from a member about the attendance list and list of proxies at the AGM. We agreed to extract an attendance list of people who attended the AGM from the register (just the names, no other details) as well as a list of the proxies and we will post this with the AGM minutes.	Leslie Michael Michael	By next meeting By next meeting	
3.3 Other Matters i) Whatsapp neighbourhood group protocols will be kept on the agenda for the next meeting that Kiki attends. She had good ideas about how to proceed. ii) Observatropolis board game will be modelled on monopoly but we have not pinned the finer details, Dominique from Africa Burn offered their life size board but we must get the game rules outlined. To have a informal meeting to finalise the rules over drinks or a meal iii) Fundraising 2020, we should have proposals ready when the next ward counsellor has money to distribute. Tauriq to send through his fundraising ideas.	Kiki Leslie Tauriq		
4. Financials and NPO status			

<p>i) OCA income is stable; however we are making less and spending more due to employing JP. At the moment the OCA can afford it. There are expenses from 2019 that will not recur in 2020.</p> <p>ii) Possible rental arrears on the carpark are the on-going concern and as a result we should be aware of our financial limits.</p> <p>lii) We are compliant with NPO office, but they cannot accept the changed constitution without the signed minutes, Hazel is handling contact with the NPO Office. Minutes from the SGM must be signed. Tauriq to co-sign with Leslie.</p> <p>iv) Hazel and Michael to liaise with one another so that he can gradually take over some of her responsibility.</p>	<p>Joy</p> <p>Joy</p> <p>Tauriq Leslie</p> <p>Michael</p>	
<p>5. Liquor and Sound Task Group report back</p> <p>i) Report was sent out.</p> <p>ii) Lobey Fiesta on main road was a transferring liquor licence from Claremont, OCA objected, but licence was still approved.</p> <p>lii) Arm Chair theatre applied for temporary licence under a period of three months special events for a period of three months on certain days of the week, application still under review, owners will be contacted to gain clarity.</p> <p>iv) Springbok pub in lower main road has been granted a liquor licence, with the condition that they don't trade in the back yard area after certain hours, institute sound proofing, etc.</p> <p>v) We had a useful meeting with the liquor authority on Wednesday (22nd January), to gain insight into the process as well as some problematic areas in the bill highlighting the rights of the applicant and the objector.</p> <p>vi) OCA will continue to engage with the Western Cape liquor authorities.</p> <p>vii) We will also meet with relevant city officials to discuss the city's role in approval of liquor licences and the extension of trading hours; this meeting will be held with OBSID in relation to recording the noise and anti-social complaints in the neighbourhood. City Law Enforcement as well as SAPS Woodstock DLO should be invited.</p> <p>viii) Carolyn and Sheila meeting Amanda on the 30th of January regarding issues around OBSID and noise complaints as well as the issue that OBSID does not inform residents of Observatory.</p> <p>ix) Sheila to follow up on Lobey Fiesta liquor licence and get reasons, no confirmation letter was sent regarding their liquor licence grant and as such no appeal can be made. An appeal must also be made against the Springbok Pub's liquor licence grant.</p>	<p>Carolyn</p> <p>Sheila</p> <p>Carolyn Sheila</p> <p>Sheila</p> <p>Carolyn</p>	

<p>x) Next OCA MANCOMM we will consider a liquor policy on how the OCA will deal with new applications or application for extended hours. To be updated by Carolyn.</p> <p>xi) Questionnaire to be drafted for the community about their views on liquor licence approvals.</p>		
<p>6. Ward Forum 57 Report</p> <p>i) An election was held to nominate two more individuals onto the ward forum; we were not informed of the election. Cedric Thomas was elected as well as a rep from Walmer estate.</p> <p>ii) Tauriq will be challenging the process for the new appointments which appeared quite irregular.</p>	Tauriq	
<p>7. TRUPA 8.1 Feedback from HWC HIA meeting of 28 Jan 2020</p> <p>End result is uncertain; however there was a strong showing by First Nation leaders. Two Khoi chiefs spoke strongly against the development. On the 6/7th of February the Appeal Tribunal meeting will continue.</p> <p>We have till the 14th to submit comments on the River Club BAR.</p>		
<p>7.2 Update on application for provincial heritage status</p> <p>i) We must still finalise our application for grading; we must submit ASAP.</p> <p>ii) Malcolm from Princess Vlei said he'd be happy to comment. Marc to get text completed (Friday 31st January).</p> <p>iii) Edit of Marc's YouTube video required, search for a video editor to be conducted. Subcommittee for video to be made, which is to include Edwin, Tauriq, Marc and Michael.</p>	<p>Marc</p> <p>Marc</p>	
<p>8. Update on Subgroup reports and plans for 2020. Social issues Arts, Culture & Sport Business Forum A&H Comms</p> <p>i) Tauriq submitted some ideas for proposals which would require fundraising. See activities proposed in his email of 14th January (pasted below), some of which will require funding, particularly the mother tongues project and oral history project. Tauriq to work up a budget/budgets and submit to OCA</p> <p>ii) We have launched the YouTube channel, only two videos so far. We will look for further projects to upload to YouTube.</p> <p>iii) We have also introduced a history section to the website; in the next newsletter we will be asking individuals to be contributing articles. As is there are two articles on the history section with another two lined up. Edwin to liaise with Tauriq regarding the history section since this overlaps with some of his proposals.</p>	<p>Edwin Tauriq</p> <p>Edwin</p>	

iv) Edwin requests that a message be sent on all the Whatsapp groups to ask people to subscribe to our newsletter so as to be kept up to date.	Edwin	
v) Edwin will publish the stats from the newsletter every month.	Edwin	
vi) A membership-only Mail Chimp has been created in addition to a newsletter Mail Chimp.	Edwin	
vii) Edwin to draft a communication Policy		
The meeting closed at 7.52 pm. Next Mancom meeting: February 25 th , 6pm at the OCC.		

Possible ACS projects for the year (suggested in Jan 2020)

Monthly Arts Culture and Sports meeting (venue : OCC - tbc)

Social Enterprise workshops 2020 (NGO's / NPO's)

Sub'version Shakespeare, Shakespeare for Heritage Protection - reclaiming the subway project.

Observatory Heritage Talks Series

!Gamirodi Poetry Festival with 'Off The Wall Poetry group (Observatory) and Grounding Sessions Poetry groups.

OCC (UPATION) - reconnecting the Observatory Community Centre.

Arts, Culture and Sports Awards - (Annual awards)

Best Theatre production, Best Music Performance, Best Exhibition, Best Artist Award, Award for Heritage Protection, Best NGO / NPO.

ACS protest action : Mass Breathing Exercise for "Open Space, Open Lungs, Open Hearts"

1.1 RiverClub

1.2 Hartleyvale

Observatory Mother Tongues Project - Engaging the Chinese Community Centre, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, Francophone, Dutch, German, Afrikaans, Xhosa, residents and business owners to assist translation of ACS monthly reports and to engage a multi linguistic online publication on the diversity of Observatory.

Observatory Oral History Project. Oral histories, and interviews. (Conscripts of Apartheid)

Establishing an Observatory History Archive

Ethical Framework of Arts engagement and indigneous knowledge practice