

SNBA. Minutes of the Meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2009.

**Present:** Rosanne Berry, Michael Sinclair, Anne Wilkinson, Ricky Catwell, Fae Graham, Hamdy Shahein.

**Apologies** were received from Julian Korosec, Sarah Graham, Ian Aarons, Bridget Pedgrift and Guy Smith.

1. **Minutes of the Meeting** of 16<sup>th</sup> February 2009 were approved.
2. **Progress on Map** – Fae has collected info, which she will be passing on the Guy, and Guy is sorting out the logo.
3. **Louisa Thompson** – has sent a letter to Fiona Fletcher-Smith (corporate director for neighbourhood and regeneration) on all the items we discussed and will wait another week before following it up. It was suggested that we contact Devin Horn re Dalston Town Centre development to see if there is any way that we can obtain help or advice by being involved.
4. **Living Streets** – the Street Scene group are compiling a report on the walkabout they did last year. Rosanne has asked to be included in any more and has heard one is planned with Alan laing. It seems they are certainly not against A boards or tables outside. Hamdy pointed out that some years ago all the A boards on the High Street were removed by TFL and licences were then required for new ones.
5. **Utility Warehouse** – Rosanne has been working with them to try to get bills reduced by putting them all under one payment. You can contact Tamsin on 0789 0773971 if anyone is interested.
6. **Kimos Bar** – which has replaced Base Bar. There have been complaints from residents about noise late at night, but Rosanne has been warned not to encourage them to join the SNBA. There may be planning concerns about their neon sign and back entrance.
7. **Fashion Show** – Rosanne has decided to do another Charity Fashion Show on 27 November and will be approaching local businesses for contributions and involvement. Michael will contact Leona Lewis's agent to see if we can get her involved.
8. **Regeneration Questionnaire** – Rosanne has been asked to participate in a questionnaire from the Audit Commission on how Hackney has created initiatives or provided services. The usual grievances were mentioned – no town centre manager, no help with high rents and costs, etc.
9. **Basement flooding in High Street** – Hamdy mentioned that his refurbished basement has been liable to flooding ever since the works on the pavement outside, and other shops have been affected too. Even tho it is covered by insurance TFL won't do anything to remedy it permanently. He will get in touch with Louisa to see if she can help.
10. **Date of next meeting** – 7<sup>th</sup> April 2009, at 6.15 at Sunstone.