# SUSS-EX CLUB

# **Steering Group Meeting 40**

# Friday 6 January 2017 at 17.15 in Pevensey III 5C11

# NOTES

**1 Present**: Gordon Conway (GC) (chair), Colin Finn (CF), Jackie Fuller (JF), Charles Goldie (CG), Arnold Goldman (AG), Steve Pavey (SP), Adrian Peasgood (AP), Jennifer Platt (JP), David Smith (DS). AG offered to write the Minutes and circulate the next Agenda.

2 Apologies: Sue Bullock, Paul Tofts

3 Minutes of the meeting of 30 September were approved with insignificant changes.

4 There were no **Matters Arising** from the Minutes not covered elsewhere in the Agenda.

5 **Finance** (JF): JF was thanked for her work.

### **6 Recent Events**

a. The Cambridge Society meeting, at which Richard Jolly spoke. The food was considered overpriced.

b. BREMF: an excellent concert which went well. It was a pity that the Suss-Ex party had only 8 members.

c. The Christmas Party held with USPAS: a success, with positive feedback. 51 Suss-Ex members attended (2015: 55.) More USPAS members than usual attended. GC will write to Adam Tickell to thank him for attending (see also Minute 8a below). There was discussion on how to make him more available to guests if he should attend again, e.g. reserve a central table. The speakers were appreciated and should be continued. Food queueing was improved over 2015. GC would also write to Tracey Llewellyn to thank her for her efforts.

### 7 Possible future events

a. i360: SP will pursue.

b.. Medical meeting: this has been arranged for 2–4 p.m. on Wed 22 March, with a tea break using the adjacent café. It was expected that cardiac problems and strokes would feature; the speaker has been asked to provide a few lines for the Newsletter. Entrance will be free, but people will be asked to state their intention to attend so that appropriate provision can be made for the numbers. JP will continue to tweak arrangements.

c. The Royal Pavilion: there is no date suggested for a visit to the Tunnel, but there was now the possibility of an event around the Jane Austen exhibition. Alexandra Loske would be asked to be our guide. There should be a way of identifying – and keeping apart – who were Suss-Ex members and who were other punters. An afternoon meeting could conclude with tea. SP would pursue and a date would be suggested: perhaps late April/early May.

d. Chichester: discussion more concerned exhibitions at the Pallant House Gallery than the Chichester Festival Theatre, which people made their way to anyway and it was difficult to see any "value added" to the visit. But exhibitions in 2017 hadn't yet been announced on the website.

e. David Streeter on South Downs wildlife at the end of May or early June: up to 15 people. Free. The next Newsletter would ask people to sign up.

f. A Theatre Royal backstage tour. JP had been unimpressed with hers but SP pointed up the "old theatre" aspect. Perhaps Autumn 2017. A Glyndebourne tour: not cheap (CF).

g. Veolia in Hollingdean: we had its protocols. Perhaps an April afternoon. AP will pursue.

h. "What's going on on campus": perhaps with USPAS. Perhaps ripe in a year's time. GC will follow up with the V-C.

i. Towner: see Minute 9.

[Summary of dates: Rajkumar 22 March; Veolia April?; Streeter May/June.]

### 8. Relations with the University

a. The Registrar having left, no meeting took place. GC will ask the V-C to nominate a new contact for Suss-Ex. It need not be the (new) Registrar. JP had attended one of the V-C's meetings with individuals, and told him about Suss-Ex. She argued the desirability of the university having a policy about the role of the retired, and of there being a clear decision on who in the administration was responsible for liaison with us.

### 9. Membership

3–4 new members came from the Christmas Party and 5 from the website. One had suggested a visit to the Towner Gallery, which was thought an Autumn 2017 possibility.

### 10. AOB

It was noted (AP) with regret that Tehmtan Framroze had died this day.

#### 11. Newsletter

AP would organise a Newsletter in good time for the 22 March event, say for mid-February.

### 12. Next meeting

Friday 21 April 2017 at 5.15pm. CG would ask for Pevensey III, Room 5C11.

Arnold Goldman 7 January 2017

Recent Newsletter of	editors
January 2015	Charles Goldie
May 2015	David Smith
July 2015	Charles Goldie
November 2015	Adrian Peasgood
February 2016	David Smith
May 2016	David Smith
November 2016	Charles Goldie
February 2017	Adrian Peasgood
Recent minutes & s	ucceeding agendas
January 2015	Adrian Peasgood
March 2015	Charles Goldie
June 2015	Adrian Peasgood
October 2015	Charles Goldie
January 2016	Steve Pavey
April 2016	Adrian Peasgood
September 2016	Colin Finn
January 2017	Arnold Goldman