Annual Report and accounts for Peckham Coal Line Charity number 1165247 1st April 2021 – 31st March 2022

During the 2021 to 2022 financial year the Peckham Coal Line team worked towards the realisation of 'Bidwell Street'. The year was dominated by an ultimately unsuccessful tender process. Following grant promises from the GLA and Southwark Council the Peckham Coal Line began a tender process for the design works required to deliver the Bidwell Street regeneration of the entrance to Kirkwood Nature Reserve.

Following five team bids two teams were shortlisted to interview these were respected architecture firms NIMTIM and McGregor Coxall both of whom received £500 honorariums for preparing the more detailed brief required for this stage of works.

Public participation and feedback was received via a series of open to all 'Online video Salons' making public participation in the process possible during the covid pandemic. These workshops were facilitated by Jason Page and Galina Rin. PCL also experimented with a paid (not volunteer) community team for the first time of Lisa Bruce and Galina Rin who continued community engagement following the tender process, anticipating a shift to the delivery stage and wider online and in person events.

Following the process the winning team of McGregor Coxall were chosen, however the Local Authority were not satisfied that the winning team had proved their ability to deliver the project. While the grant offers were not withdrawn by Southwark or GLA, after 18 months of delay and deflection the PCL submitted a Freedom of Information request for internal correspondence around PCL and it became clear that the cabinet approved funds were not going to be released to PCL whatever additional supporting information was provided.

The £3155 accounts total spend can be summarised as follows:

£365 – Insurance, website and other operating costs

£2290 – to Jason Page, Lisa Bruce, Galina Rin for series of public Salons and community engagement

£500 – to Nimtim for design honorarium

Prepared by trustee Nick Woodford 30th December 2022