

# Highgate Neighbourhood Forum

## Minutes of the Committee meeting of Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017, Lauderdale House

### Committee Members present:

Martin Adeney, Simon Briscoe, Sarah Butterworth, Chris Galley, Anthony Grossman, Ian Henges, Andrea Horth, Katherine Ives, Maria Jennings, Louise Lewis, Martin Narraway, Alicia Pivaro, Alan Rapley, Peter Walton,

**Others in attendance:** Cllr Clive Carter

### Apologies received

Michael Hammerson, Alan Rapley, Richard Webber, Cllr Bob Hare

### Agenda Items:

1. **Welcome:** Alicia Pivaro, Chair of the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum(HNF) Committee, welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Minutes of the meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017:**
  - Accuracy
  - Approval – the minutes were approved without amendment.
3. **Matters arising not on the agenda:**
  - High Street Group (July) – Local Data Company – Martin Adeney explained that the High Street Group had not been functioning as hoped and that other priorities had impinged on collecting the information from the Local Data Company. It was agreed that this should be deferred indefinitely.
4. **Redesignation of Highgate Neighbourhood Forum:**
  - Anthony had submitted the application for redesignation on behalf of the committee and now had received a second set of questions from Haringey Council. The intention is to answer all the questions with Haringey Council before submitting the identical application to Camden Council. The current designation ends on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017 so until it is renewed there will be a period of time there is no neighbourhood forum designation but both councils will continue to work with us. An update will be provided at the January meeting.

**Action: Anthony**
5. **Committee updates on key issues:**
  - Meetings with councils – Alicia met with Camden Planning and it was confirmed that Camden Council retains its CIL funding centrally and does not redistribute it to neighbourhood forums for allocation. The Neighbourhood Plan is in use as an adopted plan by planning officers. There is no funding for the desired tourist signage.

Alicia and Cllr Liz Morris met with Matthew Patterson of Haringey Council which has £130,000 available for the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum to allocate and a further £825,000 from projects in the pipeline.

Highgate Overground Station will be a large scale project requiring feasibility and investigation of commercial opportunities.

Haringey has been asked to arrange initial visits for playgrounds at Hillcrest, the Miltons, Parkland Walk and the Parkland Walk extension adjoining Highgate Library. The opportunities for upgrades to the shop fronts on Archway Road were also discussed, along with Green Grid, e.g. the Lux building has received carbon offset funding for a solar roof(photo-voltaic).

- Community groups meeting – Louise reported back on the Highgate Society Community Groups meeting which aims to gather information and get community groups together. The meeting discussed the campaign to stop vehicle idling which was being highlighted in the Camden New Journal. It was noted that Lauderdale House also organise a quarterly morning meeting Highgate Breakfast Network for community centres with the idea of ensuring their spaces are let. It was noted that the HNF website has a calendar facility that allows community groups or anyone to post events and these are uploaded onto the website after moderation. The website has 6,000 visitors a year and they were 12,000 visits to the website as a result of the referendum. The website links need to be reviewed and updated.

**Action: Andrea/Ian**

- Key projects – Whistlers replacement building at Highgate Bowl has been submitted for planning permission and an exhibition is planned. Highgate Cemetery is hoping for additional visitors next year as 2018 is the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Karl Marx. HNF have applied to the Highgate ward fund to develop the HNF website. London Metropolitan University and University of Westminster (UoW) tourism lecturers are helping develop a Tourist Strategy for Highgate. UoW students will be developing a tourism strategy for Highgate as part of their coursework.

## 6. Transport & Traffic

- Paper for discussion – The old traffic and transport paper was not discussed. Simon will update the old transport and traffic paper giving HNF committee members at least 10 days to put forward comments and questions. TFL plans to change the junction between Jacksons Lane and Archway Road. An additional crossing is to be provided on Archway Road, north of the Northwood Road pelican crossing before Jacksons Lane. Lack of safe stopping points for cyclists at the junction of Archway Road with Jackson Lane is noted. Also an issue is the lack of any vehicle weight limit on Shepherds Hill and speeding on Shepherds Hill. The waiting list for bike hangers is now 600. The current transport strategy is to promote walking and cycling. Bikes left to decay on bike stands is an issue.

**Action: Simon**

- Camden CPZ – (see previously circulated paper) – Not discussed.

## 7. Community actions from the Plan:

- There was insufficient time for this item to be discussed so it was agreed that it would come to the January meeting. Alicia presented the key sections of the neighbourhood plan and the current list of actions. There will be a two stage process. The first is to identify committee volunteers who will lead and implement an action. The second stage is to identify actions that would come forward for action in the first stage. It was agreed that the Secretary would send information out in advance of the January meeting so that views can be collated ahead of the meeting.

▪ **Action: Secretary**

## 8. AOB:

- Alicia is planning an HNF Christmas newsletter.

**Date of next meeting: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January @ 6.30pm**