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HIGHGATE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

## Highgate Neighbourhood Forum Committee Meeting

Thursday 18 Sept, Highgate School

**Present:** Nicola Caisley (NC), Iain Brewster (IB), Sarah Butterworth (Sarah B), Peter Walton, Katherine Ives (KI), Antony Grossman (AG), Alicia Pivaro (AP Chair), Maggy Meade-King (MMK minutes), Martin Adeney, Anne Jamieson (AJ), Cllr Sian Berry AM (SB)

**Apologies:** Andrea Horth, Simon Briscoe, Richard Webber, Louise Lewis (LL), Martin Narraway

### MINUTES

- 1. Minutes of the Meeting of Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019** were approved subject to the correction of note about Business Group.
- 2. TFL Meeting 20 Sept:** A position paper sent to TfL earlier in the month was tabled and MMK added that Deputy Mayor Joanne McCartney was chairing the meeting and transport chiefs from Camden and Haringey were attending, as well as reps from the other forums in the North London Forums Bus Group. The aim of the meeting was to get TfL to acknowledge that the current bus service was not fit for the planned car-free future of North London and to agree that its bus planners would sit down with us to look at how they could improve east-west connectivity.

There will be a small meeting immediately after the TfL meeting between the HNF transport group and Camden and Haringey to look at how we can work together in future and discuss current issues i.e. the 271, weight limits and the CPZ.

**SB** offered to look at what the London Assembly could do to improve communication/partnership working between forums and TfL. **ACTION: AP to send SB info on the London Neighbourhood Planners**

- 3. Transport Group report:** minutes of last meeting were tabled – no questions
- 4. CIL Steering Group Update:** KI reported that she was preparing CIL project application Guidelines, Application Forum and a Marketing/promotion plan. This was approved by the meeting and the CIL Steering Group (AP, MMK, KI and LL) will meet on Oct 1 to progress matters. **ACTION: KI to prepare note for newsletter.**

SB briefed the meeting on the situation in Camden. All CIL applications must go through the Ward Councillors and SB urged the Forum to put bids in urgently as there would shortly be c£500,000 in the kitty (only a small proportion spent so far) and monies must be spent within 3 years of being raised. Bids can be put in for feasibility studies for larger projects (eg enhancing Pond Square). It would be



helpful if Forum encouraged people to apply for CIL monies via our system (see above para) so we can help them take suitable projects to the Councillors.

**ACTION: AP to put together Pond Square feasibility bid, HNF Committee to encourage other bids, SB to organise 6-monthly meetings between councilors and DP and HNF.**

5. **Trees Group:** report tabled and discussion postponed until LL at meeting to lead.
6. **Eco initiatives Group:** Sarah B reported on the Schools Sustainability Conference held at Highgate School and attended by 20 schools from across North London + an impressive and large eco event in Switzerland she had attended. SB reported on the Camden Citizen Assembly's call to work for a Carbon Neutral Camden + borough about to declare a Climate Emergency (*already done in Haringey*).  
**ACTION: AP and Sarah B to look at how ideas from the Festival Planet A event can be turned into CIL funded projects.**
7. **Business Group:** NC and IB reported that a new group of themselves and other local businesses had met and come up with a number of ideas e.g.
  - Setting up a properly constituted traders organisation
  - Organising social media communications to useful info
  - Special events like shopping evenings, bands in Pond Square, Halloween
  - Instagram competitions
  - Walk to work or school prizes from local traders
  - A simple one page Highgate website with patches linking to all the organisations
8. **Community Group:** AJ outlined history of Forum community initiatives e.g. successful Coffee and Computers – good to build on that inter-generational work. HNF needs to look at who we are not reaching and how we involve them. KI reported that Channing School now keen to be involved – **ACTION Sarah B to bring the DS rep together with AP and AJ**
9. **Communications:** IB has taken over newsletter from MMK. **ACTION IB to brief Committee on how to send items**
10. **AOB:** AG mentioned that Highgate CAAC needed new people to join the Committee.

**Date of next meeting: Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm at Highgate School**