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HIGHGATE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Highgate Neighbourhood Forum Committee Meeting

At Highgate School, North Road
6.30 pm Wed 6 Oct 2021

Present: Cllr Anna Wright (AW), Sarah Butterworth (SB), Andrea Horth (AH), Katherine Ives (KI), Anne Jamieson (AJ), Louise Lewis (LL), Maggy Meade-King (MMK minutes), Alicia Pivaro (AP Chair), Helen Rapley (HR), Iain Brewester (IB), Richard Webber (RW), Ian Henghes (IH). Peter Walton (PW) and Antony Grossman (AG)

MINUTES

1. **Apologies:** Ana Kinsella (AK), Peter Walton (PW), Cllrs Morris, Hare and Dennison.
2. **Minutes of meeting of 7 July 2021** approved **ACTION: MMK to send to AH for website**
3. **Report from Cllr Anna Wright (Camden):** consultations on **traffic safety measures** in Swains Lane and Millfield Lane provoked a lot of feedback, which is currently being considered. PJ asked about Dartmouth Park proposals and AW explained that, while there was currently nothing on the table, the Council had to address climate change while being aware of traffic schemes across London and being careful not to push traffic onto other streets. RW asked that the Council traffic team walk round with us to consider traffic flows around Pond Square/Swains Lane etc before reaching a final decision.

CIL pot: the spending on Covid related projects has come to a close but there was now only £100,000 left in the Highgate (HNF and DPNF areas) pot. Bids should gather Councillor support before submission. The Camden Future High Streets Crowdfunder has potential for Highgate.

4. **Chair's Report:**
 - PW had put a film together about **Shepherds Cottage** and the Highgate Society was crowdfunding for a barrister to



challenge the proposed development of town houses. There had been a helpful Fire Brigade report.

- Neighbourhood Planning London was organising a meeting of neighbourhoods with 'made' NPs to discuss our post-Plan work.
- **CIL funded projects:** MMK reported that we had heard from Alex Fraser in Haringey that they were 'confident they would plant all of the trees postponed from last winter'. Also that Steve Hands in Camden has now commissioned a supplier for the outstanding Camden pedestrian signs. The natural playground and BMX trail projects were still waiting on surveys and sign off from Haringey.
- **Pond Square:** the PS community group agreed that something needed to be done to enhance the Square but had so far failed to agree on how to take this forward.

5. **Eco/transport groups:** Meeting minutes detailing how action groups will work tabled by MMK – focus on walking and cycling routes and eco corridors. SB reported lack of response from official tasked with producing Haringey's Walking and Cycling Plan. **ACTION: AP to seek meeting with Head of Planning to chase this + slow progress on playground projects**

6. **Social and Community:** AJ tabled a report from the group's latest meeting, detailing the research they intend to undertake to ascertain the gaps in community provision. Coffee and Computers – having continued online during the Pandemic – is now getting back into its previous venues and would welcome more volunteers.

7. Planning;

- **Townsend Yard:** see Chair's report above – AG added that a new application has been submitted and the Council have argued it is 'non material' which means there would not need to be a new consultation.
- **Pub application** for 85 Highgate High Street: AG and MA judged this to be a licensing matter, rather than planning. The important action is to gather info on the licensing regs



(re hours, noise etc) governing other Highgate pubs and make sure these applied in this case.

8. **Communications:** The Comms and Press group had met and agreed that it would be useful to have two or three key campaigns to publicise i.e. the **Eco Corridors, the Walking and Cycling routes and the Camden High Street bid (to include Pond Square)**. AP had attended the workshop on the latter and reported that we had to have a bid agreed with Council by Spring 2022. **ACTION: AP to talk to William Britain at HS about combining the various initiatives on the High St/Pond Square into one joint bid + Space Hub who were supporting community groups on this. MMK to do a newsletter in November – to include the campaigns + C&C + news on the CIL projects (+ Sheldon Ave and Trees for Streets)**

9. AOB: **Waterlow Park:** IH reported plans to make it a Zero Carbon Park + designating the view of St Pauls + cultural and artistic programme. Also looking at how they could bring everyone together - Lauderdale, Waterlow, Omved, Lux – in an event around Green Futures.

HNF redesignation: AG reminded the committee that we would have to apply for redesignation at the end of 2022 **ACTION diarize for March discussion.**

10. **Date of next meeting – tbc**