



FOR HIGHGATE
HIGHGATE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Highgate Neighbourhood Forum Committee Meeting

At Jacksons Lane Community Centre + Zoom

6.30 pm, Tues 6 December 2022

Present: Alicia Pivaro (AP Chair), Maggy Meade-King (MMK minutes), Francis Wilkinson (FW), Richard Webber (RW), Louise Lewis (LL) + via Zoom: Anne Jamieson (AJ), Cllr Scott Emery (SE), Andrea Horth (AH), Katherine Ives (KI)

MINUTES:

1. **Apologies:** Rachell Fox, Peter Jacobs, Peter Walton, Chanel Noel, Siri Zanelli, Cllrs Camron Aref-Adib (CAA), Cllr Anna Wright, Martin Adeney, Stephen Kennard, Ian Henghes (IH)
2. **Minutes of meeting of 18 October 2022** (tabled) approved
ACTION: MMK to send to AH for website
3. **Matters arising:**
 - We now have paperwork from previous Treasurer. AP will organize for us to make online payments + RW will review papers with a view to taking over as Treasurer
 - No response from Highgate School on request for meeting on North Hill traffic issues
 - FW and MMK have both written to Siri Shah, Haringey Group Engineer to request follow up meeting on Bank/North Hill but had no response. **ACTION: MMK and FW to combine on asking for a meeting**, especially in the light of Islington's plans for traffic calming further down the Hill. SE or Nick da Costa to join.
 - AP, MMK and IH held follow up meeting to Biodiversity Landowners meeting to progress action points. AP to meet Ben at Lux on Wed 7 Dec to discuss organisation of major event in May.
 - EM didn't know whether Nick da Costa (N da C) had followed up on Policing and Licensing papers or for



Highgate to be designated a Town Centre. **FW to forward to SE and SE to chase N da C.**

- **SE also to check** whether Nick da C had asked Baroness Lynne Featherstone to raise a question in Lords re the expensive estates of Russian oligarchs in Highgate.
- RW also asked that SE raise the issue of residents without access to the internet being able to access Haringey services and complaints.

4. Chair's Report:

- AP's recent meeting with Highgate Society Chair William Britain (WB) had raised the increasing chaos with vehicles (both Omved and new housing development) coming in and out of Townsend Yard – **AP and WB to seek a meeting with Omved to discuss how the situation might be improved.**
- MMK liaising with two Councils to organize a meeting on Forum re-designation and review of the Neighbourhood Plan. Highgate Society and CAAC keen to be involved and will be asked to submit specific items as soon as a date for meeting is agreed.

5. Report from Cllr Scott Emery: our councillors have been addressing:

- The CMP agreed with Townsend Yard contractors
- Cycle paths in Highgate
- Fly tipping in Archway Road
- Queens Wood flood mitigation works
- Route between Highgate station and Village does not have the 'pull' factor – TfL to be asked to improve signage in station. Could '(for Highgate)' be added to Archway station name?

Camden Councillors had a diary clash with our meeting – see KI's report on their meeting below.

6. Consultations:

- New Constituency boundaries – MMK has responded welcoming the proposed new Hampstead and Highgate constituency



- Camden Local Plan Review – being considered by Planning Team
- Haringey Parks and Green Spaces – LL and IH have responded at length
- Camden CIL – for individuals to respond (raised in newsletter)

7. CIL projects:

- **Street tree planting** (tree planting schedule tabled). Planting finally underway. LL concerned that only 25 of the 40 trees we originally asked for are scheduled to be planted – the other 15 are on new sites. **ACTION MMK to write to Alex Fraser to check none of the new sites are being “double counted” with those funded by residents.**
- **Play projects** AP reported that Jake Jones from Haringey is being v proactive in working with Siri Zanelli and Maria Kramer to get these in place by the Summer. Friends of the Parkland Walk involved.
- **Interpretation Boards:** RW reported that CAA had chased the delays in Camden but the matter was still unresolved. RW had counted 53 emails from officials and thinks the problem is the emphasis on observing process, rather than delivery.

8. Heritage matters :

- RW reported that Roger Elliott (Holly Lodge Communications Group) is organising an event to celebrate the centenary of the Holly Lodge estate. RW has suggested that this includes a celebration of three very influential women – Domini Crosfield, Angela Burdett Coutes and Henrietta Barnett.
- Also moves afoot for the crypt of St Michaels to be not only a Coleridge Museum but also Museum of Highgate
- MMK asked whether there was any progress on making permanent Pink Plaques. **ACTION: MMK chase Iain Brewster**

9. AGM date: other local organisations already thinking about this so we need to check and come up with our own date. **ACTION: FW to let MMK know when the HS has decided on a date**



(also Cemetery) and MMK/AP to decide on date. Everyone to think about possible speakers.

10. Planning issues

- Townsend Yard and Omved (see Chair's Report above)
- Highgate School SPD: Cllr Emery has met with Highgate School and local residents – awaiting pre-app. There needs to be a bigger time lapse between the two major construction projects adjacent to Southwood Lane.
- Care home at 44-46 Hampstead Lane – CAAC concerned that a non-material amendment added to a planning application for 42 Hampstead Lane will provide a precedent and that it is in fact highly material.
- Wellington Roundabout Development: a Quality Design Review has made some small changes to design but the development now proposed is essentially the same – Haringey report that TfL have no plans to change roundabout. RW pointed out that access for construction vehicles would be extremely problematic.

ACTION: MMK to ask Joanne McCartney's Office to chase TfL again. AP to write to Haringey CE to express our grave concerns around this project.

11. **AOB: Camden Cost of Living Crisis meeting:** KI reported that each ward had £15,000 to spend on cost of living problems. They were looking for bids from organisations for emergency cash, warm rooms etc

AP asked that **Visit Highgate website** links to other organisations and the Highgate Festival.

12. **Date of next meeting – Wednesday 22 February, 2023**