



FOR HIGHGATE
HIGHGATE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Highgate Neighbourhood Forum AGM 2024

Held at Jacksons Lane Studio 1 on Thursday 16th May

DRAFT MINUTES

1. **Welcome** from the Chair
2. **Apologies** from Stuart Bull, Sue Vinson, Catherine Budgett Meakin, Anne Jamieson, Siri Zanelli, Cllr Anna Wright, Cllr Lorna Russell, Cllr Aref-Adib, Chanel Noel, Jan Morgan, Ceridwen Roberts, Stephen Panke, Natasha Walter, Susannah Browne, Kiran Lee, Iain Brewester.
3. **Minutes of AGM of 15 May 2023** were approved. No matters arising
4. **Chair's Report:** Alicia Pivaro thanked outgoing Committee members Ian Henghes, Martin Adeney, Anne Jamieson and Richard Webber for all their hard work on behalf of the Forum and the community. She then outlined the Forum's work on Planning and Policy and in its five key areas:
 - Social and Community
 - Economic Activity
 - Traffic and Transport
 - Open Space and Public Realm
 - Development and Heritage

She concluded by urging anyone who is interested in delivering a project or initiative that supports our community to get in touch via info@forhighgate.org

You can read the Chair's full presentation on our website. ***Link when up***

5. **Treasurer's Report** (available here ***add link***) was adopted.
6. **Election of Highgate Neighbourhood Forum Committee for the forthcoming year:** as there were 16 nominations for the 15 places (+ 3 available co-options) the Deputy Chair proposed that they be elected on block by a show of hands.

The following were duly elected:



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Iain Brewester
Susannah Browne
Don Grubin
Katherine Ives
Peter Jacobs
Maria Kramer
Jennifer Kung
Louise Lewis
Maggy Meade-King
Chanel Noel
Alicia Pivaro
Dan Stranescu
Natasha Walter
Francis Wilkinson
Siri Zanelli

7. Presentations on the proposed Highgate School Developments by Gail Waldman (Chair Highgate CAAC) and Nicky Gavron.

Gail Waldman outlined the nine planning applications proposed by the School and showed their considerable extent with the aid of a slide presentation. She concluded that “the HCAAC considers all the applications cause harm to heritage assets”.

She was followed by Kate Machin-Miles reading Nicky Gavron’s presentation of the severe impact of the proposed developments on the hydrology and ecology of Tatum Field, the woodland area, Junior Field and wider area. The slides and both presentations are available on the HNF website *[link](#)*.

8. Highgate’s Biodiversity Corridors and the HNF Citizen Science Project

Maggy Meade-King outlined the importance of [wildlife corridors](#) linking Highgate’s large green spaces. The [Citizen Science project](#) aims to get everyone measuring the flora and fauna in their gardens and thinking of how they can improve biodiversity. This is particularly important at present so that local residents can provide evidence to support our opposition on ecological grounds to much of Highgate School’s development proposals.

The meeting closed