

# St Ann's and Harringay Area Forum and Committee

# THURSDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 2012

## 6.30 pm

VENUE: CYPRUS KITCHEN, 628-630 GREEN LANES, LONDON N8 0SD

### MEMBERS OF THE AREA COMMITTEE/FORUM:

Councillors Adamou, Alexander, Brabazon (Chair), Browne, Canver and Schmitz

# <u>AREA FORUM – Chair's Intr</u>oduction

## Updates and Community Issues - 6.30pm

- New Waste Collection Arrangements update
- HMO Discretionary Licensing Scheme
- Article 4 Direction to Control A Uses within Three Town Centres
- Welfare Benefit changes Seema Chandwani
- Post Office relocation from Arena Retail Park

Refreshment break - A chance to network and contribute to current consultations.

#### Question Time - 'Setting Limits on Houses in Multiple Occupation' – 7.30pm

A chance to question and debate with a Panel representing the Council, Local Residents and other organisations who bring different perspectives on this very complex issue. With the proposals for Article 4 Directions, this debate is very important and will contribute to the consultation. A quick introduction to Article 4 is below. Read the full Council Cabinet report here:

<a href="http://www.minutes.haringev.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=118&Mld=5995">http://www.minutes.haringev.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=118&Mld=5995</a>

## <u>Article 4 Direction – Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO)</u>

The Council wants to improve controls on changes from single family dwelling homes to small HMOs, (ie up to 6 individuals from different families sharing a home/house). The aim is to create a better environment for mixed and balanced communities in our neighbourhoods and to improve the standard of HMOs. Applying to Government for an Article 4 Direction is one way of doing this, especially since the Government has made it easier for HMOs to be established through permitted development rights. HMOs are increasing, are often of poor condition and place pressure on local services.

## A4 Direction - Town Centre Uses

The Council is applying for an Article 4 Direction from the Government to assist in controlling the number, location and/or the clustering of particular town centre uses. These include betting shops, loan/pawn brokers and takeaways, which are of great concern to local people in Tottenham, Green Lanes and Wood Green, their impact on town centre variety and vitality and their possible impact on environmental amenity and safety.

# AREA COMMITTEE - 8.15pm

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 5 JULY 2012
- 3. URGENT BUSINESS
- 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 5. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS
- 6. FEEDBACK FROM THE AREA FORUM
- 7. GREEN LANES OUTER LONDON FUND ROUND 2 UPDATE
- 8. AREA PLAN UPDATE
- 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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