

Wood Green Area Forum and Committee

THURSDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 2013

6.30 pm

VENUE: CIVIC CENTRE, HIGH ROAD, WOOD GREEN, N22 8LE

MEMBERS OF THE AREA COMMITTEE/FORUM:

Councillors Christophides (Chair), Cooke, Demirci, Egan, Gibson, Meehan, Stewart, Strickland and Waters

AREA FORUM

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME - 6.30PM

The Chair will provide an overview of items on the agenda and how the Area Forum and Committee will proceed

2. WOOD GREEN TOWN CENTRE 'MAJOR SCHEME' - 6.35PM

To receive a presentation from the scheme architects on the final plans for highways infrastructure and surrounding public realm improvements to the Wood Green town centre area funded by Transport for London.

3. HARINGEY TIMEBANK - 7.35PM

To receive a presentation on the work of Haringey Timebank and opportunities for local people to volunteer.

4.KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER PROJECT - 7.55PM

To receive a presentation on the North London YMCA youth homelessness project and how local residents can get involved.

5. SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM UPDATE - 8.15PM

To receive an update from the local Safer Neighbourhood Teams covering Bounds Green, Noel Park and Woodside wards.

6. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS - 8.30PM

AREA COMMITTEE

1.APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2.DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

A Member with a disclosable pecuniary interest or a prejudicial interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered:

- (i) must disclose the interest at the start of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, and
- (ii) may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting room.

A member who discloses at a meeting a disclosable pecuniary interest which is not registered in the Register of Members' Interests or the subject of a pending notification must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the disclosure.

Disclosable pecuniary interests, personal interests and prejudicial interests are defined at Paragraphs 5-7 and Appendix A of the Members' Code of Conduct.

3.MINUTES (PAGES 1 - 2)

To agree the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 24 June as an accurate record.

4.ISSUES RAISED DURING THE AREA FORUM

To take forward any issues raised during the Area Forum.

5.AREA PLAN (PAGES 3 - 8)

To receive an update of the Area Plan.

6.TO NOTE DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS AND DISCUSS VENUES AND AGENDA ITEMS

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7.ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

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MONDAY, 24 JUNE 2013

Christophides (Chair), Cooke, Demirci, Egan, Gibson, Meehan and Present:

Waters

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTON BY
OBCB91.	APOLOGIES	
	Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Stewart and Strickland.	
OBCB92.	MINUTES	
	RESOLVED	
	That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 April be agreed as an accurate record.	
ОВСВ93.	ISSUES RAISED DURING THE AREA FORUM	
	In view of the presentation provided during the Forum on plans for a public consultation on the proposed introduction of a 20mph speed limit in the borough, Committee members emphasised the importance of copies of the consultation and accompanying Frequently Asked Questions sheet being circulated to ward Councillors well in advance of the start of the consultation exercise. This would help ensure correct information could be passed on to local residents and to generally encourage them to contribute to the consultation.	Greville Percival
	During the Ageing Well presentation in the Forum, some evidence had been provided of a higher incidence of older people diagnosed with depression in the Bounds Green ward compared to the other two wards, which was of concern to the ward Councillors. Although it was recognised this could potentially be down to a number of reasons such as statistical anomaly or better diagnostic services in the ward, it was agreed that ward Councillors would forward details of local events or groups in the area to Adult Services to be included in the mapping process being undertaken to identify services and support available for older people across the borough.	All to note
OBCB94.	AREA PLAN	
	The Committee discussed the future of the Area Plan covering the three wards in recognition that there was no longer a resource to manage and populate the input into Area Plans following the deletion of the Council's Community Engagement Team. Members agreed the need to review the current plan, with a view to move towards a more streamlined, ambitious and meaningful document focussed appropriately on the key issues affecting the wards. As a start, it was agreed that the Chair would review the current plan, including removing completed or out of date items, with	Chair

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	the updated Plan to be considered again at the next meeting.	
OBCB95	TO NOTE DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS AND DISCUSS VENUES AND AGENDA ITEMS	
	The next meeting was scheduled for 17 October and would be held in Woodside ward. The Civic Centre was proposed as a venue.	
	In relation to agenda items, it was agreed that future updates should be provided on Alexandra Palace, Haringey Heartlands and Japanese knotweed problems within the borough. It was suggested that a presentation be given to a future Forum meeting on the Council's social housing register to increase awareness of the banding system etc.	

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Woodside, Noel Park & Bounds Green Area Plan

Priority	Year Two Activity 2013/14	Service / Partner Action	Lead Service & Lead Officer Contact	Outcome	Timescale	UPDATE JUNE 2013
1. Community Engagement	Secure access for local groups to use community facilities for free / at a reduced rate	The Council is undertaking a review of the Council buildings leased to community organisations to improve support for Haringey's voluntary sector (in line with the Voluntary Sector Strategy 2011-2016 - www.haringey.gov.uk/voluntary sector strategy). Key issues the review will consider are; Building condition – generally community buildings are considered to be in poor state of repair overall, with limited capacity to invest. Community use - some buildings could be made more generally available as a flexible resource Utilisation – some buildings are underutilised due to limited opening hours, constraints to flexibility in uses and building condition The approach to the community buildings review is as follows: 1. Assess the building stock condition and use of the tenanted buildings and other Council properties available for community use 2. Evaluate all buildings to identify opportunities for redevelopment and			ONGOING	Further to the Cabinet decision (December 2012), and key strategic principles for community buildings, the next phase of the Review has commenced. This will include an in depth review of tenant sustainability, community benefit and building use, to establish the level of social value from each building, from the services and activities delivered by voluntary and community organisation tenants. It will also provide the Council with a better understanding of how its building are used in line with outcome 5 of the Council's Voluntary Sector Strategy-To provide support to enable Voluntary Sector organisations to access and to share high quality

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1. Community Engagement (cont.)		consider disposal options that could help realise or contribute to other Council objectives relating to regeneration and housing and employment. 3. Develop options for increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of community building assets.				premises. The process will include a tenant 'self assessment', and inform the Council's options appraisals.
	Allow local people to set the agenda (e.g. for consultation, Area Forums)	The creation of Area Forums in June 2011 was intended to do just this; provide a space for residents to raise concerns and set the agenda. Residents had an opportunity in March 2012 to comment on the way the Area Forums are currently working as part of a Governance Review. This Review is still in progress and will look at ways of ensuring residents are empowered.	Stuart Young – Assistant Chief Executive		ONGOING	

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2. Community Health	Campaign / negotiate for a community medical centre facility as part of the Heartlands site Heartlands developers to recruit locally	Both of these activities are part of the draft Section 106 agreement due to be signed in March 2012 and agreed by Planning Committee (www.minutes.haringey.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=106). Health space will be offered to "health organisers" as and when the scheme gets built (1-5 years). The scheme will also support local jobs/training resources. Recommended that an update on Heartlands is a future Area Forum agenda item	Nick Powell – Head of Carbon Management and Sustainability & Martin Tucker – Regeneration Manager, Employment & Skills	Community medical centre facility as part of the developme nt of Heartlands.		
3. Community Safety	Make more use of CCTV to detect issues – in consultation with local residents	There is a protocol already in place for the use of CCTV for community safety purposes. Safety is the overriding priority. The Community Safety Team (www.haringey.gov.uk/communitysafety). This is now in the Single Frontline Service with the CCTV/Parking Team under a single Assistant Director and this will further strengthen performance. We will investigate the use of a CCTV Lay Panel rather than general consultation as this is more practical.	Claire Kowalska – Community Safety and Engagement Manager / Inspector Mark Hembury-Safer Neighbourhoods	A new Steering Group to be introduced	Introduced in 4 th Quarter 2012.	This is still under review

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	Encourage residents to engage with local Neighbourho od Watch schemes	Area Committee to nominate a Member to liaise with the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator Pauline Syddell to pass on details of those interested and to agree on the best channels of promotion for the area.	Inspector Mark Hembury-Safer Neighbourhoods			TO DISCUSS WITH POLICE AT NEXT AREA FORUM
4. Houses of Multiple Occupation (HMOs) / Overcrowding	Take enforcement action against rogue landlords	The HMO work plan is prioritised to ensure limited resource is used effectively. The team therefore prioritise reports against properties that meet the following criteria: - 3+ stories - 5 or more people - 2 or more households - Shared facilities The HMO Team responds to all referrals regarding housing conditions in the private sector and take enforcement action in the worst cases, visit www.haringey.gov.uk/hmo-licensing for more information.	Steve Russell – Manager, Housing Improvement Team (Private Sector)			CLLR JOE EJIOFOR HAS OFFERED TO ATTEND AN AREA FORUM TO DISCUSS THE HMOS AND THIS COULD BE INCLUDED IN AN AGENDA FOR A FUTURE AREA FORUM. TO INVITE STEVE RUSSELL TOO
5. Regeneration (Civic Centre and local developments)	Develop a local lettings policy for the Wood Green Area	The Council needs to balance using its own assets to support council services and the capital programme with supporting local businesses. In principle Council policy is to support local business by advice and guidance, networking and	Nick Schlittner – Projects & Policy Officer			WOOD GREEN HIGH ROAD ON AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 2013 MEETING

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		signposting and working on strategic infrastructure programmes (development and transport) and advertising its own procurement opportunities. The Council then needs the market to respond to economic development opportunities				
	Introduce a shop frontage improvement programme for Lordship Lane	Such Grant schemes need external funding bids to support them. Council policy is to support local business and community Town Centre Groups to bid for such funds. This has been successful in Green Lanes, Muswell Hill and Tottenham High Rd	Nick Schlittner – Projects & Policy Officer			
	Encourage inward investment	The Council's Planning Service regularly meets land owners, developers to promote Haringey. The Council supports Haringey Business Board and North London Business and the North London Strategic Alliance to promote Inward Investment	Nick Schlittner – Projects & Policy Officer			
	Break up proliferation of fast food outlets	During 2012/13 the Council will research policy and strategy mechanisms to do this. Report in 2013/14 This begun in May 2012. Consultation document is now in the public domain				

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		Recommended that Wood Green regeneration (including plans for Transport for London improvements) is a future Area Forum Agenda item				
	Introduce and enforce higher design standards for buildings in Wood Green (public and private)	Haringey Design Awards (www.haringey.gov.uk/designawards) will take place in July 2012. September will see the launch of "Improving Design in Haringey programme". This will include more scrutiny; training and seminars; greater focus on quality materials and modern buildings that are sustainable, compliment local character, are functional and that "lift the spirits".	Nick Powell – Head of Carbon Management and Sustainability	Improved Design standards.		