

Green Lanes Strategy Group
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11 July 2011 at 7.30pm

Woodlands Park Children's Centre

ITEM	ATTENDING	ACTION
	<p>Cllr Nilgun Canver (NC) Cllr Zena Brabazon (ZB) Cllr Karen Alexander (KA) Geoff Amabilino (GA) Rob Chau (RC) Sue Green (SG) Andy Newman (AN) Ian Sygrave (IS) PC Jon Sayers – St Ann's SNT PC Sam Linger – St Ann's SNT</p> <p>Officers: Jon Hastings – Notes (JH) Tony Kennedy – Sustainable Transport (TK)</p>	

Part 1

1	<p>APOLOGIES Received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Gina Adamou • Cllr David Browne • Cllr David Schmitz • Sgt Jono Clay-Michael – Harringay SNT • PC Glyn Kelly – Harringay SNT • Liz Ixer • Shefik Mehmet <p>The group wished Sgt Tim Hannah, St Ann's SNT, a speedy recovery from his injury.</p>	
2	<p>GREEN LANES STUDY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TK explained that the council has £1.3m of TfL funding to spend in the Green Lanes corridor over the next 3 years, with the following main aims. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reduce casualties on the road ○ Maintain and improve the bus network ○ Improve safety and infrastructure for cycling • TK reminded the group of the process thus far to generate ideas for the consultants to work on, and noted that the total cost of the ideas put forward exceeded the funds available. • The three ideas being worked on for modelling are: 	

	<p><i>Alfoxton Gardens junction</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal would remove the dog-leg from Alfoxton Gardens, giving this road a standard junction with Green Lanes. The space outside the small parade of shops beside the existing dog-leg would be turned into a pedestrianised area. This proposal includes a new crossing on Green Lanes near Frobisher Road. The crossing would be prioritised. <p><i>St Ann's Road junction area</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal would make the St Ann's Road junction two-way, so that traffic exiting that road could turn left or right. This would reduce the burden on other residential streets by keeping traffic on St Ann's Road. The proposal also includes a double diagonal pedestrian crossing at the junction of Green Lanes with Warham Road and Salisbury Road. <p><i>Williamson Road junction</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal would try to improve traffic flow around the Arena retail park. • It was noted that all the modelling would be carried out to include an assumption of changes to the direction as 3 up and 3 down on some of the Ladder roads in the central part of Haringgay ward, which would aim to relieve the pressure on streets like Hewitt Road and Warham Road. • ZB highlighted that this TfL funding would need to be looked at in terms of how it could link to the Round 2 stage of the Outer London Fund. • TK noted that the scope of this study does not include Hermitage Road. NC explained that the resources available only for the narrow Green Lanes corridor. • TK advised that these proposals are currently just aspirations, and that modelling would be carried out on them to see if they work, what effect minor changes to designs would have, and try to establish a feasible way forward for each scheme. If the modelling shows that the schemes will be successful in achieving the desired outcomes, they will be worked up into more detailed designs, including costs. Consultation with the public would then be possible based on the preferred options that come out of the modelling. • TK will get the models run, with a draft report due back to the council for comment in mid-September. A final report will then be produced by mid-October, which the council will be able to put some costs against to present to the group by late November or early December. 	<p>TK</p>
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3	<p>OUTER LONDON FUND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ZB circulated a document containing her ideas for Round 1 and Round 2, as had been requested by Cllr Strickland. • NC suggested that these ideas (and others) for round 2 be looked at in more detail during the special meeting on 25 July. 	
4	<p>GREEN LANES BRIDGE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group discussed the shortcomings of the design and erection of the new banner on the bridge. AN showed an image of what the design had been projected to look like initially, showing how the central and advertising portions would be connected. • NC noted that a special meeting would be set up with Bay Media to discuss the group's unhappiness with the banners. • ZB highlighted that a long-term dialogue and engagement with Network Rail is needed, not just for the Green Lanes bridge but also for other structures around the borough. ZB will champion this cause and try to engage with Network Rail initially on the Green Lanes issue. 	<p>NC</p> <p>ZB</p>

Part 2

5	<p>NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 17 MARCH 2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The notes were agreed. 	
6	<p>ENFORCEMENT UPDATE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update was not available at the meeting. 	
7	<p>SNT UPDATE</p> <p><i>St Ann's</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PC Sayers advised that Sgt Hannah will be off for at least another month, and that this is having quite an impact on the workload in the rest of the team, meaning they are not able to get out and about as much as they would like to. <p><i>Harringay</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A written briefing was circulated as the Harringay SNT were not able to attend. • PC Kelly had queried the outcome of some council enforcement work into the 7.5 tonne weight limits in local roads. NC will clarify what this relates to and what outcomes there may have been. 	<p>NC</p>

<p>8</p>	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p><i>HMOs</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IS reported that he had circulated a memo to the ward councillors in relation to the problem of flats being converted into HMOs, which the council is not able to prevent in some circumstances. SG highlighted the difficulties that lie ahead in this regard as changes to Housing Benefit will make HMOs a more attractive prospect than 1-bed flats for adults under 35 years old. NC will set up a meeting of the Corporate HMO Working Group to discuss these issues and the Autumn seminar. <p><i>Estate Agent Boards</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RC reported that Rubens from Paul Simon was willing to champion the removal of estate agent boards from Green Lanes, to improve the look of the area and prevent damage to the buildings. NC advised that she would look into the legal position on this issue with Robin Payne. SG will provide information on where else this approach has worked. AN reported that the GRA had carried out its annual survey on estate agent boards in the Gardens, and had found a significant proportion were illegal. These cases had been passed over to Brian Ellick for action. 	<p>NC</p> <p>NC</p> <p>SG</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The group agreed that the Festival is the prime concern at the moment, so the next Green Lanes Strategy Group meeting will take place after that event in late September or October. However, Special GLSG meeting will take place on 25 July, 7.30pm to discuss the Mayor's Outer London Borough allocation.</p>	