

**MINUTES OF THE ST ANN'S AND HARRINGAY AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, 1 JULY 2014**

Councillors Adamou (Chair), B. Blake, Ibrahim, Morton, Ozbek and Ryan

Also Present: Councillor Stuart McNamara (Cabinet Member for Environment)

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>There were no apologies for absence.</p>	
	<p>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - 31 MARCH 2014</p> <p>RESLOVED:</p> <p>That the minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2014 be approved.</p>	
	<p>URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>There were no items of urgent business.</p>	
	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
	<p>DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS</p> <p>There were no deputations or petitions.</p>	
	<p>FEEDBACK FROM THE AREA FORUM</p> <p><u>Green Lanes Update</u></p> <p>It was noted that in regard to the Green Lanes improvements, a milestone in the project was to undertake improvement works to the bridge in July/August 2014.</p> <p>Ward Councillors wished to be kept informed as to progress regarding the Green Lanes project and provided with any appropriate communications issued relating thereto.</p> <p>It was noted that although Councillor McNamara, Cabinet Member for Environment, had attended the Forum to give an update on a number of matters he would be invited to attend the next meeting of the Forum in order to give a more detailed presentation and take part in a question and answer session, and that an item referring to his attendance would be placed on the agenda accordingly.</p>	

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	<p><u>Finsbury Park Usage</u></p> <p>It was felt that the presentation from officers on Finsbury Park usage had been informative, and that follow-up action should be taken in regard to the concerns raised in relation to parking restrictions imposed in the Green Lanes area on the Sunday of the forthcoming 'Wireless' event in Finsbury Park. The feedback of traders on the impact of the event, subsequent to it taking place, would be valuable.</p> <p><u>Estates Food Waste</u></p> <p>The Committee felt that this had been a useful presentation and noted the proposals to roll-out the Council's food waste collection programme in the area.</p> <p><u>Alexandra Palace Regeneration</u></p> <p>The presentation given was considered to have been helpful and informative. It was suggested that action should be taken to bring about joint working between Alexandra Palace and the Bernie Grant Arts Centre, and that the Palace should give further consideration to on-going school engagement work covering schools across the whole of the borough, and not just in the vicinity of the Palace.</p> <p>The Committee then had a general discussion regarding the Area Forum, including its role, how it was run, the best way to engage with the community and venues for meetings. It was considered important that meetings of the Forum should be held at different venues across the two wards to ensure more effective and 'fairer' engagement with the community. It was suggested that at a future meeting the Forum consider specific topics which had a specific bearing on the local community, such as the current high levels of unemployment. Members of the Committee undertook to give further thought to the issues raised relating to the Forum's operation and send emails to each other with any ideas that arose. It was emphasised that agenda items should be relevant to the local community.</p>	
	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>There was none.</p> <p>The meeting concluded at 21.28hrs.</p>	

Councillor Gina Adamou

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