

**MINUTES OF THE ST ANN'S AND HARRINGAY AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, 19 APRIL 2012**

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

SAH28.	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (IF ANY)</p> <p>There were no apologies for absence.</p>	
SAH29.	<p>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - 26 JANUARY 2012</p> <p>A correction was made to the fourth paragraph of minutes PC25 "Making the Difference" in that reference to Hornsey Station should instead read 'Harringay Station'.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That, subject to the correction indicated above, the minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2012 be approved and signed by the Chair.</p>	Clerk
SAH30.	<p>URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>There were no items of urgent business.</p>	
SAH31.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
SAH32.	<p>DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS</p> <p>There were no deputations or petitions.</p>	
SAH33.	<p>GREEN LANES OUTER LONDON FUND DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>Cllr Canver advised the Committee that the project was in the process of procuring designers for the work and was working with Design for London and the Council. Further updates would be issued as work progressed.</p> <p>NOTED</p>	
SAH34.	<p>AREA PLAN</p> <p>The Committee discussed the draft area plan and the following suggestions / issues were raised:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Clean & Green, 3. Refuse & Recycling</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under agreed activity 1., Cllr Schmitz proposed replacing "Robust communication about new fortnightly refuse collections will be shared with residents before implementation" with a proposal that the introduction of 	

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fortnightly collections be deferred until after a report had been produced on the issues arising in areas where fortnightly collections had already been rolled out. Cllr Schmitz reported that it seemed that there were particular issues in respect of HMOs, and that it would be imprudent to roll out to an area with a disproportionate number of HMOs until a report on the issues and how these could be addressed had been produced. These concerns were echoed by Cllr Alexander.

- In response, Cllr Canver, as Cabinet Member for Environment, advised that it was always anticipated that there would be challenges, particularly in respect of HMOs, in the course of the rollout. This did not mean, however, that the rollout of the 2nd phase should be deferred. Identifying problems at an early stage addressing these issues would require ongoing negotiation before, during and after the rollout. Engagement with HMOs, residents, landlords and the Landlords Forum was now taking place in advance of implementation of the 2nd phase of the rollout, and a range of forms of communication, including letters and home visits, were being used to engage with as many people as possible.
- The Committee agreed that there was a need to learn from the issues identified in phase 1 of the rollout, and that Members should see the report on this when it was produced. It was further suggested that Ward Members should meet as a group and hear from officers on a more frequent basis to monitor the rollout and any issues arising, in order that they were more engaged in the process.
- Cllr Canver confirmed that all Members would shortly receive a briefing note and FAQs; data on the first phase was in the process of being gathered, and Members would receive a report on phase 1 as soon as this was completed. Very early indications were that while the experience had been positive overall, there had been issues on roads with HMOs, and that the level of engagement with this type of property was being increased.
- The Committee was advised that officers would be visiting key local organisations to engage with them regarding the rollout. Members were asked to suggest possible venues and groups that should be involved in this engagement process.
- The Committee agreed, in the first instance, that the issue of implementing bi-weekly collections should be raised for discussion at the next meeting of the HMO Working Group, and that additionally a date would be set for the Green Lanes Strategy Group to discuss this issue in further detail, before the mid-June date that the rollout was timetabled to start.
- On seeking advice from the Chief Executive, the Chair ruled that it would be out of order to put to the vote the

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motion that the implementation of phase 2 of bi-weekly collections be deferred, as the timetable for this process was a decision of the Cabinet.

2. Crime & Antisocial Behaviour, 1. Supporting Safer Neighbourhood Team priorities

- On point 2 under this heading, it was agreed that the SNT updates at Area Forums should include data on results / outcomes for the local area. It was further suggested that the Area Plan itself should include an extra column to show actions, what had been achieved and what was still to be done, in order to measure progress.

3. Culture & Creativity, 1. Inward investment

- It was suggested that there should be engagement with estate agents dealing with commercial property to try to identify what infrastructure improvements could be made to attract the best possible tenants to the area. The Chief Executive agreed to take this point away to look at how this tied in with work being done elsewhere in the Council and report back at the next meeting.
- 'Haringey on Line' to be corrected to Haringay Online.

Chief
Executive

6. Housing, 2. Affordable Housing (St Ann's Hospital Development)

- It was agreed that the wording of the first sentence of point 1. should be amended to read "Affordable Housing to be included as part of any redevelopment of the St Ann's Hospital site".
- It was noted that the MHT and NHS London had taken account of local discussions and have indicated their intent to retain some in-patient capacity for mental health at the St Ann's site.

7. Regulation, 1. Planning Enforcement

- It was confirmed that point 1, set the aspiration of increasing the number of enforcement staff.
- The Committee noted that the Council was looking at increasing the level of enforcement work that was self-sustaining as a result of court awards.

7. Regulation, 3. Trade Waste Enforcement

- In respect of point 2, it was confirmed that a pamphlet explaining the role and scope of Neighbourhood Services was planned by the Service, although decisions had yet to be taken regarding the timetable and resources for this. It was confirmed that this should remain in the Plan as an aspiration, progress with which could then be monitored.

Taking into account the agreed amendments and actions in the discussion above, the Committee:

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	<p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the draft Area Plan be approved, subject to the amendments agreed during the meeting, as set out above.</p> <p>It was formally noted for the record that, while approving the rest of the Area Plan, Cllr Schmitz and Cllr Alexander objected to point 1, under Clean & Green, Refuse and Recycling, in respect of the introduction of fortnightly refuse collections before a full report on phase 1 had been made available for consideration.</p>	<p>Claire Kowalska</p>
<p>SAH35.</p>	<p>DISCUSSION OF VENUES AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee discussed the format of the preceding Area Forum which had taken the form of 'information stands' rather than an open meeting. It was felt that having one to one discussions with residents enabled more information and suggestions to be passed on to Councillors and officers, and that it would be useful to repeat this format once or twice a year, maybe for an hour of the forum, followed by a wider discussion. • The Mental Health Trust had expressed an interest in attending the next meeting to seek questions and feedback from residents regarding the St Ann's Hospital development. • When the dates for 2012/13 were confirmed, it was suggested that these be circulated to the Residents Associations and mailing lists to ensure that people had early notification of forthcoming dates throughout the year. • Harringayonline had offered to run a surgery on social media, websites, and general IT issues before the start of the next meeting. • In light of the offer from Harringay Online, it was suggested that the next meeting also be held at the TCCA, as this venue had wi-fi access, but that for subsequent meetings the Forums should move between the wards in recognition of residents' preferences. • The Committee thanked the Chair for the smooth running of the meetings throughout the current municipal year. 	
<p>SAH36.</p>	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE</p> <p>There were no new items of urgent business.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 21:30hrs.</p>	

COUNCILLOR DAVID BROWNE
Chair