

# West Green and Bruce Grove Area Forum and Committee

## THURSDAY, 21ST JUNE, 2012

# <u>6.30 pm</u>

# VENUE:

## MEMBERS OF THE AREA COMMITTEE/FORUM:

Councillors Dogus, Ejiofor (Chair), Griffith, Khan, Mallett and McNamara

# Introduction by the Chair

## AREA FORUM

## **AREA COMMITTEE**

## 6. AREA PLAN

At the previous meeting committee members asked for a number of updates and additions which are now completed and attached for final agreement of the plan.

# 8. UPDATE ON ISSUES TAKEN FORWARD SINCE THE LAST MEETING AND SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS THAT DID NOT MAKE THE MEETING

The committee will consider an update on the items discussed at the forum and committee meeting in April and consider the responses provided to suggested items that did not make the meeting. The update will include information on:

- Regeneration activities in Tottenham, particularly West Green and Bruce Grove
- Update on the community buildings review
- Olympic Torch route
- Higham Road
- Pedestrian crossing at Bruce Grove and Tottenham High Road.
- Issues raised by the Broadwater Farm Resident's Association at the last meeting in April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012

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Title:	West Green & Bruce Grove Area Plan – Area Plan for Sign Off	
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Report Authorised by:	Joan Hancox, Head of Neighbourhood Services
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Lead Officer:	Zoe Swanson, Senior Project Manager	
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Ward(s) affected:	Report for Key/Non Key Decisions:
West Green & Bruce Grove	

## 1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 To acknowledge amendments made to West Green & Bruce Grove Area Plan following the last Area Committee meeting held on 23 April 2012 and to sign off the final plan.

## 2. Cabinet Member introduction

- 2.1 As part of the Council's 2011 governance arrangements seven Area Committees were established under the Council's constitution. These Committees meet quarterly and their terms of reference include a commitment to develop an Area Plan. This will set out priorities for the year 2012/13 onwards.
- 2.2 The Council sees the following as the principal reasons for their use:
  - To target resources at evidenced need
  - To initiative two-way information sharing and joint local priority setting
  - To strengthen collective responsibility
  - For transparency of expenditure
  - To improve attendance through stronger public stakes
  - To improve the resolution of local problems
  - To improve the delivery of priority local services



## 3. Recommendations

3.1 Committee Councillors to sign off and 'make live' the West Green & Bruce Grove Area Plan. The plan will then be published on the Committee pages of the Haringey website as a live document that can be updated after each quarterly Forum & Committee meeting (monitoring and managing process outlined below).

## 4. Background information

- 4.1 Online consultation, service data and a public workshop informed the development of the area plan. Consultation raised a range of issues but the following priorities were identified as key concerns:
  - 1. Active Community Life
  - 2. Broadwater Farm District Centre
  - 3. Community Capacity Building
  - 4. Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour
  - 5. Early Intervention
  - 6. Health
  - 7. Housing
  - 8. Parks and Green Spaces
  - 9. Public Realm
  - 10. Tottenham Regeneration Programme
  - 11. Unemployment
  - 12. Youth Provision
- 4.2 Following the consultation stage, these priorities and a range of prospective activity were put to services and partner organisations for their response. Services and partners were asked to respond in terms of feasibility and timescales (and to provide detail on any existing activity relating to the priority).
- 4.3 At the 23 April 2012 meeting of the Area Committee, Committee members made a number of comments on the draft circulated. Amendments have been made to reflect these comments in instances where the Chair agreed. The amendments made, are:
  - An additional 'Community Capacity Building' priority inserted, with activity relating to opportunities for residents to receive better information on how to navigate planning and licensing processes and support enforcement activity
  - Within the 'Tottenham Regeneration Programme' priority, insertion of activity to improve the forecourt of Bruce Grove Overground Station, both to design out crime and improve aesthetics



4.4 Committee members discussed a past plan drafted by the West Green Resident's Association that sought to improve the aesthetics of Turnpike Lane Tube Station and asked that Frontline Officers locate this plan and consider whether it should revived as part of the Area Plan. The plan was located (as part of the 2008 Wood Green Town Centre Supplementary Planning Documents) and has been provided informally to the Committee to consider what aspects they may want included.

## 5 Monitoring and Management of Plans

5.1 Roles & Responsibilities

## Officer from Place & Sustainability performing coordinating role:

- Prompt to activity leads to update their parts of the plan quarterly
- Document management, to include electronic filing and change control
- Uploading updated plans to the Area Forum & Committee web pages
- Supporting annual review of priorities
- Forwarding updated plan to Committee Clerks for consideration at agenda setting meetings

## Area Chairs:

- Suggesting new activity content each Forum / Committee meeting (ensuring requests to services are formally noted and actioned by Committee clerks)
- Deciding when activity has been duly actioned and can be archived
- Directing and overseeing annual review of Area Plan priorities
- Holding services and partners to account

## Activity Leads:

- Providing quarterly updates on activity (or upon request)
- Considering requests from Area Chairs for new activity and submitting a formal responses within 10 days of request
- Attend Area Forum and Committee meetings to present activity updates upon reasonable request

## Area Champions (CB Officers):

- Providing advice and guidance to Area Chair on change control and new requests for activity
- Escalating any arising Area Plan issues through CB to ensure prompt resolution (feeding back through formal minutes of Area Committee)
- Supporting Area Chairs to direct and oversee annual review of Area Plan priorities

## Committee Clerks:



- Managing attendance sheets and signage at Area Forum and Committee meetings
- Formally noting any Area Plan issues arising and new requests for activity as part of formal Area Committee minutes
- Ensuring Area Plans are a standing item at agenda setting meetings and quarterly Chairs meetings to address any issues

What	Who	When
Overall coordination of Area Plan updates	Officer from Place & Sustainability Directorate	Ongoing
Updates on existing plan activity	Named activity leads	Quarterly and upon request from Area Chair
Change control suggestions (adding new activity and archiving old)	Area Chairs	Quarterly (after each Area Forum & Committee)
Escalating issues arising from Area Plans (non-response to update requests etc)	Area Champions (CB Officers)	As necessary
Formal noting of Area Plan issues and requests for new activity	Committee Clerks	Quarterly (as part of Area Committee minutes)
Annual review of priorities	Led by Chairs and Area Champions with support from named officer from Place & Sustainability directorate	Annually

5.2 Area Plan Monitoring Process (Summary)

## 6. Comments of the Chief Finance Officer and financial implications

There is no specific budget allocation to implement Area Plans and thus any actions would need to be funded from existing resources being re-prioritised or targeted as necessary. If this is not possible actions could only be pursued once a Cabinet decision to provide funding is made.

# 7. Head of Legal Services and legal implications

7.1 The Head of Legal Services has been consulted in the preparation of this report and confirms that the Council's protocol covering Area Committees sets out the responsibility of each Area Committee to develop its 3 year area plan. There are no legal implications arising from this report.

## 8. Equalities and Community Cohesion Comments



8.1 The development process for the plan tried to ensure the views of a wide range of stakeholders were sought and listened to. Discussion at the January workshop was based on robust area profile data, which included information on health inequalities, population profile and Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) findings. Addressing the issues and priorities identified through the area plan development would help to tackle some of the existing inequalities and disadvantage in the area.

## 9. Use of Appendices

Appendix A – Final Area Plan

Appendix B – Turnpike Lane plans (as contained in 2008 Wood Green Town Centre Supplementary Planning Documents)

## 10. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

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Priority	Year One Activity 2012/13	Service / Partner Action	Lead Service & Lead Officer Contact
	Increase communication about what activities are going on locally	<u>Homes for Haringey</u> Estate bulletins are sent out after every estate inspection. Residents are invited to inform the Tenancy Management Officer if there is an activity taking place they want to promote.	Sharon Morgan – Deputy Director Housing Management, Homes for Haringey
	More notice boards / use of notice boards to advertise local activities and groups	<u>Homes for Haringey</u> Project underway (March 2012) to rationalise content and refresh more frequently, highlight key campaigns and to offer space (trial) to resident and community associations.	Lorraine Woodhead – Project Manager, Homes for Haringey
	Make more use of Bernie Grant Arts Centre Investinate whether local	The Council is undertaking a review of Council buildings leased to community organisations to improve support for Haringey's voluntary sector (in line with the Voluntary Sector Strateov 2011-16). Key issues the	Dinesh Kotecha – Property Services Manager
1. Active Community Life	Council buildings could be let to community groups at	Building Review will consider are;	
	no / reduced cost	<u>Building condition</u> – generally the portfolio is considered to be in poor state of repair overall, with limited capacity	
	Explore ways of making Goan Community Centre to	to invest <u>Community use</u> – some buildings could be made more	
	Establish local community hubs	Utilisation – some buildings are under-utilised due to Imited opening hours, constraints to flexibility in uses and building condition	
	Make use of empty properties	The approach to the Buildings Review is as follows:	
	Explore future use of Keston Centre Road buildings by the community	<ol> <li>Assess the building stock condition and utilisation of the buildings and other Council properties available for community use</li> </ol>	

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1. Active Community Life (cont)		<ol> <li>Evaluate all buildings to identify opportunities for redevelopment and consider disposal options that could help realise or contribute to other Council objectives relating to regeneration and housing and employment</li> <li>Develop options for increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of community building assets.</li> <li>The review is in progress and a list of relevant properties, initial outcomes and options will be available in Autumn 2012.</li> <li>Recommended that outcome of Review is considered as part of future Area Forum agenda.</li> </ol>	
2. Broadwater Farm Shops / Facilities		Recommended that Broadwater Farm community infrastructure / amenities is considered as part of a future Area Forum agenda (2012/13).	
3. Community Capacity Building	Local community groups to be trained on how to navigate licensing and planning procedures	The <u>Planning pages</u> of the Council website provide a lot of information on planning procedures, appeals processes, enforcement and advice. However, the service is happy to present at a future Area Forum meeting. Neighbourhood Services are producing a pamphlet explaining the role and scope of Neighbourhood Services, including Licensing, Trading Standards and Waste. The pamphlet will explain local powers and ways residents can help enforcement activity.	Joan Hancox – Neighbourhood Services & Nick Powell
4. Community Safety	Strengthen local Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNT) as they are currently understaffed	The police are aware of this local issue but recruitment is done centrally and must follow a process. This process currently underway with pressure from Haringey MPS. It is estimated that the Police Community Support Officers	Mark Long – Chief Inspector Safer Neighbourhoods

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		will be in place by September 2012.	
	Ensure greater engagement between police and community (young people, particularly)	The safer schools support team is still in place and a single point of police contact will now be in every primary school under the new "Community Promises". The police are in the process of setting up two new youth panels and there will be one school promise	Mark Long – Chief Inspector Safer Neighbourhoods
	Ensure SNT has a focus on prevention and education	agreed. In addition, the Community Police Consultative Group (CPCG) has a texting network of 1,000 young people in the borough and is in the process of setting up	
		a new youth CPCG to attract a more representative group. If the community in this area has further	
		suggestions that can be delivered within existing resources they should submit them to their respective	
	Tackle ASR on Landham	Inspector. Police are aware that these are hot snot areas and are	Mark I ond – Chief
	Close, Broadwater Farm,	already directing resources there. Report on progress	Inspector Safer
	Millicent Fawcett Court and	can be provided at future Area Forums.	Neighbourhoods
	the junction between West		,
	Green Road, Langham		
	Tackle drug-dealing on	Police teams will investigate this and report back at a	Mark Long – Chief
	West Green Road,	future Area Forum.	Inspector Safer
	Tottenham High Road & behind Turnpike Lane		Neighbourhoods
4. Community Safety (cont)	Tackle vehicle Crime on	This is also a known problem and Acting Inspector Mike	Mark Long – Chief
	Gloucester, Clonmell and	Tisi is putting a specific plan together for the local area.	Inspector Safer
		report on progress can be provided at ruthie Area Forum.	
	Improve the entrance area	Network Rail, the land owner, have plans to improve the	Tottenham Regeneration
	to Bruce Grove over ground	entrance area. The Council's Tottenham Regeneration	team
	station to deter antisocial hehaviour	leam are working with them on the plans. Councillors have received a hriefing on this	

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	Coordinate volunteer programme to get parents work experience / acquiring skills (scope to join up e.g.	Volunteer schemes have been run from the Children's Centres. It is an area that we are reviewing and would want to develop further.	Ngozi Anuforo – Children's Centres Manager
5. Early Intervention	children's centres, HAVCO, Friends of Downhill Park, Back to Earth Allotments)	In addition, <u>Team London</u> will have a presence at the Employment and Enterprise Centre at 639 High Road (Team London I s the Mayor of London's volunteering programme for all Londoners) Volunteering	Tottenham Regeneration Team
	Develop a community mentoring scheme to	and will include opportunities for parents (2012/13). This could be considered as part of the on going development of the children's centres.	Ngozi Anuforo – Children's Centres Manager
		The <u>Haringey Welcome Project</u> (funded through the Home Office) supports newly arrived families in partnership with HALs.	Naomi Woodlands – Family Support Officer
5. Early Intervention	Source funding for crèche facilities so parents can attending courses (parenting, ESOL etc)	It is proposed that there be a crèche at 639 High Road although this is subject to the completion of the tender process for an operator for the site (2012/13). <b>Recommended that an update is provided at a</b> <b>future Area Forum</b>	Tottenham Regeneration Team
	Encourage use of local parks as places to be active and enjoy	The Service produces a monthly promotion through the " <u>What's On</u> " guide giving details about what activities and events are taking place locally. An annual Small Grants Scheme was launched in March 2012 and residents are encouraged to make use of park facilities such as green gyms.	Simon Farrow – Head of Client Services, Leisure Services
6. Health	Breastfeeding promotion / education programme	Haringey has begun the process of <u>UNICEF Baby</u> <u>Friendly</u> accreditation for community settings i.e. health centres and children's centres, which sets the standard for breastfeeding support. An action plan outlining key priorities to improve breastfeeding support has been	Sheena Carr – Senior Public Health Commissioning Strategist

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		developed which details the process for achieving accreditation.	
	Public health focus on prevention	Haringey's Public Heath services has a number of ongoing public health programmes underway in the community, including health trainers, physical activity referral, NHS health checks and smoking cessation support.	Fiona Wright – Assistant Director of Public Health
	Crackdown on rogue landlords exploiting families and minimum standards	Respond to all referrals regarding housing conditions in private sector and take enforcement action in the worst cases.	Steve Russell – Manager, Housing Improvement Team (Private Sector)
	Improve lighting on Parkview Road and Reynardson Court (next to Police Station)	A quote was received from Council lighting department for Reynardston Court but not affordable. Negotiation taking place on cost/scope e.g. to focus just on car park area which is of greatest concern to residents and staff.	Sharon Morgan – Deputy Director Housing Management, Homes for Haringev
7. Housing		Our aim is for some works to be undertaken in 2012/13. Parkview Road to have survey and quote which will be assessed with other bids for 2012/13 Estate Improvement funding.	
	Review current repairs budget vs. replacement	A strategic piece of work is being undertaken cross- borough to investigate repeated repairs spend on same	Martin Hoctor – Head of Client Services & Annual
	budget to address frequently broken stairwell doors	items/blocks to prioritise replacements (we have done this on roofing first, and built the top 20 most frequently repaired roofs into our improvement programme).	Maintenance, Homes for Haringey
	Introduce and enforce dog	Formal consultation will take place on Dog Control	Robert Curtis – Team
	control orders	Orders in 2012/13, the outcome of which will be shared with Area Forums. If dog control zones are introduced, the focus will be on enforcement and the encouragement of responsible dog ownership.	Leader, Tactical Enforcement
8. Parks & Green Spaces	Increase summer opening hours of Downhills Park café	Leisure Services to investigate the potential and feasibility of extended opening house with the HAIL charity that run the café by July 2012. Recommended that an update is provided at a future Area Forum.	Simon Farrow – Head of Client Services, Leisure Services

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	Encourage more ways to get involved in parks e.g. food growing, activities, sports groups using parks	A decision has been taken not to proceed with and Allotments Review in 2012/13. However, should any new opportunities arise information will be provided to the forum (updated 28.05.12) Suggested that an update is provided as a future Area Forum agenda item.	Simon Farrow – Head of Client Services, Leisure Services
8. Parks & Green Spaces (cont.)	Encourage local business to have hanging baskets	Haringey hosts an annual "In Bloom" competition that encourages residents and businesses to brighten up and improve the borough using floral and scrub displays. This year the theme is the Jubilee. <u>Jubilee in Bloom</u> is a free competition run by the council and sponsored by the Sunshine Garden Centre, encouraging and rewarding residents, businesses, schools and community groups who take pride in their environment. There are incentives and prizes involved.	Simon Farrow – Head of Client Services, Leisure Services
	Provide advice and support to community groups wanting to tidy up communal gardens	Part of the new Neighbourhood Action Team's role is to build relationships with schools and community groups. Those interested in organising a local clean up can contact their named local NAT officer who will coordinate support from Veolia (gloves, bins and advice etc). Neighbourhood Services is also developing a Community Volunteers scheme, to be launched 2013/14.	Michael McNicholas – Neighbourhood Action Team Manager
	Clean up the hedge in front of the leisure centre	Neighbourhood Action Team and Leisure Centre to resolve issue by Summer 2012.	Michael McNicholas – Neighbourhood Action Team Manager
9. Public Realm	Local people to help inform Neighbourhood Action Team and Veolia's work	The fastest way to report incidents is through the Council's <u>report a problem</u> webpage. It is much slower to report an incident via fixmystreet etc. The Council is currently working on a "LoveHaringey" application for use on smart phones by staff and consideration will be given to extending this to residents.	Joan Hancox – Head of Neighbourhood Services
	Single Frontline officers to	Tackling fly-tipping is a key aim for the Neighbourhood	Michael McNicholas -

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	use enforcement powers against fly tipping etc	Action Teams. In 2012/13 a new Fly-tipping Strategy will be piloted in Tottenham & Seven Sisters. Learning from this pilot will be rolled out to other areas in 2013/14.	Neighbourhood Action Team Manager
9. Public Realm (cont.)	Merge gyratory plans with wider South Tottenham Regeneration – connection all regeneration projects	The two way opening of the gyratory forms a key part of the wider regeneration plans for this area. The Tottenham Regeneration Team aim to improve connectivity between Tottenham Hale and the High Road by encouraging the students at the Hale to use the civic and leisure facilities at Tottenham Green (2014 onwards).	Tottenham Regeneration Team
	Rationalise street furniture	The Tottenham Regeneration Team will rationalise street furniture as part of delivery of 'growth on the high street' funding for the regeneration programme – starting from summer 2012.	Tottenham Regeneration Team
	Lighting improvements to Bruce Grove Street end of Moorefield Road	The Council is unable to commit to this due to unknown level of funding beyond 2012/13 and that funding has already been allocated to other locations.	Joan Hancox – Head of Neighbourhood Services
	Planning controls to limit growth of betting shops	Research in to the best way to control and manage betting shops and take-away sops will be carried out in 2012/13. An update report to be available December 2012.	Nick Powell – Head of Carbon Management and Sustainability
10. Tottenham Regeneration	Bring Jobcentre Plus back to No. 639	Job Centre Plus are due back at their previous site in April 2012 (opposite 639).	Tottenham Regeneration Team
	Keep Council services in Tottenham (housing etc) so there are employed people coming into the area	The Tottenham Regeneration Team are pushing central Government to bring a major government agency to the area. We are also working with the GLA to develop 639 as a civic hub with business incubation space and a	Tottenham Regeneration Team
	everyday	council presence there (2012/13 onwards)	

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	Encourage more shops to join Tottenham Traders Network	The Tottenham Regeneration Team is working with the <u>Tottenham Traders Partnership</u> to develop their capacity and to get a greater range of businesses involved in their governance. The Tottenham Regeneration Team	Tottenham Regeneration Team
		will appoint a Tottenham Town centre manager in Spring 2012 who will play a key part in attracting new businesses and investment to the area, as well as working with the Traders partnership to develop their membership.	
	Ensure commitments made by businesses to employ	The Council's new Employment Strategy was agreed by Cabinet in March 2012 and will be delivered over the	Martin Tucker – Regeneration Manager,
	local people are enforced	next 2 years. The new Employment Programme	Employment & Skills
		of 200 new jobs will be created in partnership with	
	Regeneration programme	businesses) will include skills development plans	
	develop skills so they can	audifications. The job creation scheme will include a	
	benefit from employment	wage subsidy to small and medium sized enterprises	
	opportunities	(SMEs) to create new jobs for local unemployed people	
11. Unemployment		with incentive payments if the job lasts 9 months and 12	
		montus. Young people under 25 will be the primary focus of the programme will also	
		support enterprise and self employment and develop a	
		new Enterprise and Employment Centre at 639	
		Tottenham High Road. The programme will also provide	
		a new focus on 14-16/17 year olds to ensure young	
		employment possibilities including self employment.	
		Cabinet Report and Haringey Jobs Fund Prospectus can he viewed here	

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11. Unemployment (cont.)	Council to facilitate the development / relocation of jobs to Tottenham	The Tottenham Hotspur Football Club scheme, new Sainsbury's stores, proposals for other development in the High Road and at the Hale will all create jobs in Tottenham.	Martin Tucker – Regeneration Manager, Employment & Skills
	Voluntary sector and other partners to promote work opportunities to young adults	Team London will have a presence at the Employment and Enterprise Centre at 639 High Road. Volunteering opportunities will run through the service model at 639 and will include opportunities for parents (2012/13).	Tottenham Regeneration Team
	Create a market in Tottenham from Seven Sisters to CONEL on High Road or outside Bernie Grant Arts Centre	Part of the regeneration programme is looking at developing better market infrastructure at Bruce Grove and Holcombe Road. The Council will also be looking at opportunities for more markets (farmers, arts, crafts etc) to take place in Tottenham (2012 onwards).	Tottenham Regeneration Team
	Bruce Grove Youth Centre should be open every day	Youth Services are working hard to ensure Bruce Grove Youth of the consortium on 11 April will discuss plans for a 4 month programme up to the Summer holidays. The programme will most likely run 5 nights a week from 4- 8pm.	Jahan Dhondy – Youth, Community and Participation
12. Youth Provision	Develop local work experience / apprenticeship schemes for young people	The Council is developing a new Employment Programme (the job creation element will see a minimum of 200 new jobs created in partnership with businesses). This will include skills development plans including apprenticeships leading to Level 2/3 qualifications (2012/13 – 2013/14).	Martin Tucker – Regeneration Manager, Employment & Skills
	Commission churches to offer after school clubs / youth engagement projects	Unfortunately, this is not feasible as it is a) funding dependant and b) not compliant within procurement requirements. However, Youth Services can work with churches to ensure that they are prepared for commissioning (this is work Youth Services are already engaged in with Highway Church).	Belinda Evans – Head of Youth, Community and Participation

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Lead Officer:	Ayshe Simsek
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## 1. Describe the issue under consideration

To provide feedback on the requested agenda items explain how they have been taken forward.

## 2. Background

At the first Area Forum and Committee ward members talked about the aims of the Forum and committee which included working with local people to improve the neighbourhood for all residents.

The area committees have additional powers to shape aspects of local services in response to local conditions and residents' concerns. A local area plan for the West Green and Bruce Grove has now been completed and will be guiding future council activities, local budgets and planning decisions in the area. The plan will now also help shape the agenda for forthcoming Forum and committee meetings.

Meetings start with an open public forum followed by a decision-making session of the Committee that is open to the public.



The Forum is also about shaping aspects of local services in response to local conditions and residents concerns allows opportunities for local residents to ask questions of local councillors and council officials, to make suggestions and raise issues of concern, as well as to network with other local residents, traders and activists.

Suggestions for topics at this meeting were sought from local residents and community groups to enable the agenda to be driven as far as possible by local people.

The following suggested items did not make the Forum meeting as there was not enough space on the agenda, information related to specific issues; they had been discussed before, or were planned for future discussion. It was felt that personal consideration and response from the Chair to some of these issues was better suited:

- Localism bill and its impact on local communities The forum considered the planning aspects of the Localism bill at their meeting in April and further details are available on the localism bill on this website link
- http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/localgovernment/lo calismplainenglishupdate. Consideration will be given to considering any other aspects of the Bill at a future meeting.
- Content and accessibility of the council website individual response
- Weblink to Member expenses This is published on a yearly basis and considered at the Annual Council AGM
- Control of Betting shops The Area Plan indicates that research in to the best way to control and manage betting shops and take-away sops will be carried out in 2012/13. An update report to be available to the forum in December 2012.
- Use of Tennis courts at Bruce Castle Park individual response
- Use of the Keston Road centre This building is included is included in the council wide review of community buildings. An update on the review is attached below.

## Update on issues discussed at the previous forum meeting in April

# Higham Road right-angle bends in Higham Road near the junction with Downhills Park Road. - Accident hotspot

Residents living near the junction between Higham Road and Downhills Park Road N17 had previously expressed concerns to local ward councillors about the number of car accidents taking place at this junction. These accidents had so far been non fatal but have caused regular damage to resident's front gardens. This junction has a narrow bend and there are usually cars parked on each side of the junction. This makes it is quite difficult for cars and the W4 bus



route to turn right from Higham Road onto Downhills Park Road. This is exacerbated in the winter when road conditions deteriorate. Some photographic evidence was provided to councillors illustrating road signs and front garden walls being knocked down by cars and there was concern about the safety of pedestrians on this part of the road.

A response was provided from the Transport Team to concerned residents and ward councillors that included information about: the funding approach to investigating transport related issues, the need to have recorded police data on accidents at this junction to make a case for road improvements, commitment to checking for any illegally parked cars at this junction, assurance that this road is priority for gritting in winter. Since the response the Sustainable Transport group have also arranged for the bend warning signs and SLOW road markings to be introduced.

In relation to the W4 bus route passing through this tight junction, the Council has regular meetings with TfL on public transport issues including bus service planning. In addition to regular meetings the council can and do raise specific issues on bus service routeing, level of service and other ad hoc issues raised by councillors or members of the public. Generally bus service contracts run for three years and it is unlikely wide ranging changes to routeing or service levels would be considered outside of this process. TfL consult the Council as part of the reviews of bus services and for specific service changes such as frequency and destination. Transport team will consult ward councillors on proposed changes as part of this process. Any suggested change to a bus route would need to be considered by TfL and they would take into account factors such as the impact on through passengers and costs and benefits. Given the current constrained funding at TfL it is unlikely that TfL would support a route change without clear benefits.

Cllr Mallett has suggested that a convex mirror on the corner might help slow traffic down on this blind bend and this is being considered into by the Transport team.

#### Junction between Tottenham High Road and Bruce Grove Station

At the end of the meeting in January, some residents expressed concern about the safety of the junction between Tottenham High Road and Bruce Grove station for pedestrians. They asked that this issue be considered as an agenda item at the meeting on the 23 April 2012. The Chair asked for this to be investigated before this meeting. The Town Centre Manager for Tottenham High Road visited this junction and completed observations on: the frequency of the traffic light changes, the actions of pedestrians at the crossings and the movement of traffic at this junction. Since the last forum meeting in April there has been a meeting between council officers and TFL representatives and



assessment of the crossing. TFL have confirmed that they are developing a scheme to improve the junction and the adjoining sections of the A10. The committee will be kept informed of the implementation plan in future updates.

# Bullying in Schools - raised by the Broadwater Farm Resident's Association on April 23 2012.

The council have responded to the report and subsequent local media coverage and advised that:

Bullying in any form is unacceptable and we understand the distressing impact it can have on victims.

"Each school in Haringey has its own anti-bullying policy and procedures for dealing with the reporting and handling of bullying. Schools are asked to publicise their bullying policy and to deal with bullying sensitively to make it as easy as possible for parents, carers and pupils to raise concerns.

"Children and young people who are being bullied should speak to a parent, carer, teacher or youth worker.

"We encourage parents and carers who have concerns about bullying at their child's school to discuss their concerns with the school in the first instance.

"Advice and support on bullying can also be sought from the council's Education Welfare Service, which can help with problem solving and mediate between home and school if necessary."

The Deputy Director for Prevention and Early Intervention will bring the notes of the forum meeting to the attention of schools in– Harringey and WEST Green and South East Tottenham. Schools are asked to submit monitoring information to the council on the level of discriminatory and bullying incidents and there will be a further reminder to schools of the importance of doing this.

## Regeneration

## Update on 12 in 2012

The text for the 12 pledges for 2012 was agreed by Cllr Strickland in April and the first stage of the advertising campaign has begun already. In mid may – the 12 pledges were displayed as posters on the up escalator at Seven Sisters tube station. The next phase will see selected pledges will be displayed as large posters at five bus stops at locations along Tottenham High Road. This will go live from 6<sup>th</sup> August for two weeks. Phase 3 of the campaign will see the



pledges appear more on other surfaces, such as site hoardings, but this is still being developed.

Highlights of delivering the pledges:

- 1. A new team to tackle grime In April we launched the 'Love Haringey' enforcement campaign.
- 2. Pop-up activities in the High Road
- More activities at Bruce Grove Youth Centre from May he centre is now open Tuesday to Friday evenings, with opening hours set to increase further over coming weeks. The council is exploring ways of working with voluntary groups to deliver longer opening hours and a summer package – with local young people at the heart of helping decide which activities are on offer.
- 4. Over £4million for local jobs the Jobs for Haringey programme was launched at the Houses of Parliament on May 17 to an audience of potential private and voluntary sector partners. The programme will look to create over 300 jobs and support over 600 people into sustained employment. There will be a mix of projects, including direct job subsidy schemes, employment support and self-employment support
- 5. An enterprise centre the GLA are leading on the redevelopment of the former council offices at 639 High Road into an enterprise and employment centre. They are currently in the process of procuring an operator to develop the service offer and an architect to lead the renovation. In the meantime a temporary facility is being created in the car park to provide a taster of the potential services to be delivered in future. The temporary facility is expected to open in June.
- 6. New games area in Ferry Lane
- 7. Fun summer Events a music festival, community film festival, Sculpture Park and a Paralympics exhibition and performance are being programme for August and September. The Tottenham Carnival will take place on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June and the council is providing £10k financial support for the youth zone.
- 8. Spurs development to start
- 9. Improvements to Monument way and Broad Lane work on the Gyratory is scheduled to start in the autumn, when the Olympics are concluded.
- 10. A smartened up Tottenham Green public consultation will begin on June 19 to seek views on the new design for the green. Overall there is £1.47m available to spend on the scheme.
- 11. Bring back landmark shops work started at the end of May to reinstate the Aldi Supermarket and they intend to opening before Christmas 2012. Work will start in July on the reinstatement of the Carpet Right store and the flats at River Heights.



12. A better Bruce Grove and Holcombe Market - public consultation will begin in July to seek views on the new design for the Bruce Grove public realm and markets. Overall there is £750k available to spend on the scheme.

#### **Employment Initiatives**

Haringey Council has launched the Jobs for Haringey Programme. The jobs creation scheme will see the council working with businesses and partners to generate over 300 new vacancies and help at least 600 people find jobs.

It will also focus on helping school students to access work experience to bolster their future employment prospects. Building on the success of the Haringey Guarantee, the project will deliver one-to-one support with job hunting, applications and interviews, while jobs will go hand-in-hand with specialised training.

It also bring a Haringey business summit where employers will be urged to team up with the council to create new jobs; make existing vacancies available to Haringey residents; provide work experience and training opportunities, and engage with schools and youth groups.

Subject to Cabinet approval, the council will invest more than £2.5million while additional funding from the Mayor of London's Regeneration Fund and the Greater London Authority's European Social Fund will take the total investment to £4.6million.

Funding will cover some of the costs of the created jobs, including a contribution towards wages and training - which will be supported by the College of North East London and Haringey Council's adult learning service (HALS).

If agreed by Cabinet on Tuesday 20 March, the project will guarantee another of the council's '12 in 12' pledges to deliver a series of projects which will help transform Tottenham throughout 2012.

#### **Bruce Grove Public Realm Projects**

A total of £750,000 has been secured through the Mayors Regeneration Fund for projects in the Bruce Grove Town Centre. This is broken down into 2 broad schemes:

1) £450,000 for public realm improvements (de-cluttering, better design, new hard landscaping where appropriate)

2) £300,000 to improve the look of the market sites at Holcombe Road and Bruce Grove Station.



Cllr McNamara chaired the recent member briefing meeting to discuss involvement of local stakeholders in this regeneration project and the improvements which need to be taken forward.

## **Bruce Grove station market**

Planning Enforcement action was served to Network Rail and all leaseholders on the site in March and took effect on 28th May 2012. A planning application was subsequently lodged for the canopy structures, this has since been rejected. The timeframes for appealing the enforcement action has now lapsed and all parties on the site must comply with the notice and remove all unauthorised structures within six months of the notice – 28th November 2012.

We will in the meantime work with Network Rail as a stakeholder in Bruce Grove to go forward and develop a more sensitive scheme on the site that reflects previous aspirations.

## **Olympic Torch route and activities**

On Wednesday 25 July 2012 the Olympic Flame will come to Haringey, travelling through the borough before arriving as the climax to an official celebratory event at Alexandra Palace. The torch will arrive in Haringey at 5.20pm, journeying from Enfield down Fore Street and into Tottenham. The torch will travel along the High Road to Bruce Grove, turn into Lordship Lane and along to Wood Green High Road, proceed south to Turnpike Lane, before turning onto Hornsey High Street, to Priory Road, and finally up the hill at Alexandra Palace Way to arrive at Alexandra Palace at approximately 6.45pm (see the map below).





## The logistics of the journey through Haringey

The torch convoy consists of 14 vehicles, and will take approximately 15 minutes to pass a single point. As well as security and support vehicles the convoy includes a media vehicle with national and international television camera crews as well as sponsor vehicles distributing keepsakes, playing music, telling the stories of the individual Torch Bearers and engaging with the crowds.

Traffic management on the route will be undertaken by the Metropolitan Police Service who will oversee a rolling closure of the road in one direction, controlling traffic at major junctions and preventing normal traffic becoming part of the convoy. The police will be supported by traffic marshals and pedestrian stewards, and by additional staff from other services (for example cleaning team, and vehicle relocation crews in case of obstructions).

The only significant full road closures will be on Wood Green High Road between Lordship Lane and Turnpike Lane and Alexandra Palace Way between Muswell Hill and Beford Road but there will also be some additional parking restrictions and bus stop suspensions. Advance warning signs about traffic disruption will be in place on the route approximately one month in advance of the relay and the Council will be doing letter drops in specific areas to notify residents and businesses about the impact of the event. London Transport will be publicising information about affected bus routes.



To ensure that the Torch Relay is accessible to all residents, specific viewing areas disabled people and specifically for wheelchair users. Due to limited capacity these spaces will be managed by a ticketing process. To apply for a place please ring Tanya on 020 8885 5199 or email tanya.kenny-parker@haringey.gov.uk.

#### Who are the torchbearers?

The London 2012 Organising Committee nominations process for Torchbearers ran from May to June 2011, and regional selection panels of local people were held in the autumn. Olympic Torch Relay Presenting Partners Coca-Cola, Lloyds TSB and Samsung also held their own nomination campaigns. Tens of thousands of nominations were made. After a careful selection process over 7,300 inspiring Torchbearers have now been confirmed and the remaining Torchbearers will be confirmed over the coming months. You can find out who the Torchbearers are, where they will carry the Flame, and read some of their inspirational stories on LOCOG's website

http://www.london2012.com/games/olympic-torch-relay/torchbearers/

#### What is the Evening Celebration?

Haringey Council is working with games organisers, LOCOG, to host an early evening celebration ahead of the Olympic Flame arriving. This will take place in part of the grounds of Alexandra Palace from 5pm. Access to the event is by ticket only. Approximately 4,000 tickets were made available to the public on a first come first served basis on 26 May, and all of the tickets were snapped up within hours. The entertainment will be provided by Haringey Young Musicians, and the London 2012 presenting partners – Coca Cola, Lloyds TSB and Samsung – including singer Loick Essien, acrobatics and dance performances. The event will culminate in the arrival of the Olympic Flame just before 7pm.

#### How can you get involved?

Tickets are not required to line the route from Tottenham all the way to Alexandra Palace and residents, traders and visitors are invited to join in and share the excitement of the Olympic Torch Relay. Haringey residents are encouraged to wear white so that the crowds have a strong visual impact.

If you want to plan a celebration for the Games you can also sign up to be a Local Leader at www.london2012.com/get-involved/local-leaders and receive inspiration and tools from LOCOG about how to make it one to remember. Please do also let the Council know if you are planning a celebration along the route so that we can make sure that we take that into consideration in our work towards a safe and well-managed relay – contact Kate Dalzell at kate.dalzell@haringey.gov.uk, 020 8489 4502.

## **Community Buildings Review**



The Council has embarked on a strategic review of its properties, which also includes a specific review of its community buildings portfolio.

The Council's long standing commitment to providing access to community facilities for the voluntary sector is demonstrated by the substantial quantity of Council property assets allocated for community use and leased to voluntary and community sector organisations.

In addition to the tenanted community buildings, the Council also operates a number of buildings as community facilities and community spaces that are available from many other Council premises, including schools, leisure centres, tenants' rooms, parks buildings and libraries.

The retention of community use in preference to other alternatives takes account of the social and other non financial gains from community and voluntary led activities, ranging from family and social gatherings, community celebrations, private functions, education & social enterprise, recreation and welfare services, delivered in appropriate community settings.

Due to varying historic practices the portfolio comprises a complex mixture of lease arrangements with varying terms relating to lease periods, rents, repairing responsibilities and security of tenure.

Although the original purpose of leasing out properties for community use was to meet the needs of Haringey's diverse communities and voluntary sector activities, it is recognised that there remain unmet needs, especially within many of the newer and smaller sections of the community. Although new provision of Council owned properties is scarce there are concerns that the existing stock is not fully utilised and not widely accessible.

The Council recently adopted a new Voluntary Sector Strategy which includes as outcome 5:

*"Fairer access to assets and community spaces by providing support to enable Voluntary Sector organisations to access and to share high quality premises"* 

The current review of Council buildings leased to community organisations therefore aims to leverage the existing portfolio, in order to facilitate physical, social and economic regeneration and improve support for Haringey's voluntary sector in line with the Voluntary Sector Strategy.

As part of this process, there are a number of key issues relating to the tenanted portfolio that require further review, including:

• **Building condition** – generally the portfolio is 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 under-utilised due to limited opening hours, constraints to flexibility in uses and building condition.

To facilitate this process, the approach to the community buildings review is as follows:

- Assessment of the building stock condition and utilisation of the tenanted portfolio and other Council properties available for community use.
- Evaluation of community buildings to identify opportunities for redevelopment and to consider disposal options that could help realise or contribute to other Council objectives relating to regeneration and housing and employment.
- Development of options for increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of community building assets.

Findings from the review will inform an Options Appraisal and Management Plan for the Council's community building portfolio going forward.

## 3. Recommendations

3.1 That the report be noted

## 4. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

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