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To: All Members of the West Green and Bruce Grove Area Forum and Committee

Dear Member,

West Green and Bruce Grove Area Forum and Committee - Tuesday, 23rd April, 2013

I attach a copy of the following reports for the above-mentioned meeting which were not available at the time of collation of the agenda:

1. AREA FORUM (PAGES 1 - 28)

1c) Update on the ward councillor walk about on Philip Lane [7.30pm]

A few months ago, West Green and Bruce Grove ward councillors went on a walkabout on Philip Lane with Frontline services and this is a report back on how the identified actions have been taken forward.

1d) Alcohol strategy [7.50pm]

The annual public health report is an independent report by the Director of Public Health which outlines the key health concerns the borough is facing. Last year the report focused on childhood obesity, this year the report is focused on alcohol. A member of the Public Health team will present this strategy and invite questions and comments from residents and community groups.

6. AREA PLAN (PAGES 29 - 50)

Update on the actions in the Area Plan.

7. UPDATE ON TREE PLANTING ACTIVITIES IN WEST GREEN AND BRUCE GROVE WARDS (PAGES 51 - 52)

Update on the tree planting activities that took place in West Green and Bruce Grove wards in early 2012.

8. UPDATE ON ISSUES TAKEN FORWARD SINCE THE LAST MEETING AND SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS THAT DID NOT MAKE THE MEETING. (PAGES 53 - 58)

Yours sincerely

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Principal Committee Co-ordinator



Briefing for:	Environment & Housing Scrutiny Panel, 21 March 2013
Title:	Philip Lane Walkabout
Purpose of briefing:	To provide information on the range of issues identified during the Philip Lane Walkabout and implications arising.
Lead Officer(s):	Ann Cunningham, Head of Traffic Management

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The following report outlines the issues / problems identified during a walkabout in Philip Lane, which was attended by officers from the Traffic Management, Neighbourhood Services and Ward Councillors. Those issues ranged from general maintenance of the existing infrastructure, to design and enforcement issues.
- 1.2. Philip Lane is a classified road, serving as a route for a number of buses travelling between Tottenham High Rd / Seven Sisters to St Ann's Rd and West Green Road towards Wood Green High Road. It experiences high level of traffic at particular times of day. Traffic levels have increased since the implementation of the traffic scheme implemented in May 2006 in the Bruce Grove area. This will at times result in high levels of congestion. Appendix A - sets of the issues identified and potential solutions.
- 1.3. A number of the maintenance issues highlighted will be addressed as part of our maintenance schedule. Officers have also committed to trialling additional footway enforcement, especially at locations where vehicles are crossing the pavements to access parking on private property.

2. Financial Implications

- 2.1. The total costs of the solutions identified are £46 651.00 if addressed as individual projects. These costs could be reduced by £25k if programmed as a complete scheme. This reduction relates to the consultation and legal order aspects of the work. The breakdown of those costs is available in Appendix B.
- 2.2. The cost of those works needs to be weighted up against the budget available and prioritised against other essential works that may need to be carried out elsewhere in the borough. This budget is set for 2013/2014 and is £60K for Parking infrastructure maintenance and £550k for reactive maintenance (which is proportionate use from the planned carriageway and footway maintenance additional investment).

Appendix A – Identified issues and recommended solutions

Appendix B – Estimated cost

Appendix C – Time frames

Location 1:

- Philip Lane Outside school entrance, existing single yellow lines operate Mon- Sat. 8:30 am – 6 pm.
- Obstructive parking identified



Possible Solutions: introduction of loading restriction Mon- Sat, 8:30 am – 6 pm to mitigate waiting in this location.

Location 2:

- New raised table at same level of footway encourages drivers to park on footpath.
- This design could causes problems during wet periods as storm water could run onto the footpath.



Possible Solutions:

- Implement parking bay to prevent footway parking.

- Subsequence investigations indicated that flooding is not an issue at this location, there may be issues of surface water during extreme inclement weather, but this is not at a level which requires intervention.

Location 3: Opposite 243 Philip Lane.

Double yellow lines required on the northern side of the carriageway adjacent to the refuse.



Possible Solutions:

- Extend double yellow lines from the junction of Keston Road to a point 5 metres east of the refuse.
- Add at any time loading restriction (double kerb marking) to the existing restriction on the southern side of Philip Lane and to the proposed double yellow lines on the northern side.
- Add at any time restriction to existing double yellow lines on the junction of Keston Road and Bourn Avenue.
- Hatching and centre line needs remarking.

Location 4: Philip lane from its junction of Mansfield Avenue eastwards toward the junction of Downhills Park Road.



Possible Solutions:

- Waiting and loading restriction required alternative side to facilitate the free flow of traffic.
- Centre line needs remarking.

Location 5: Approach to junction of Downhills Park Road



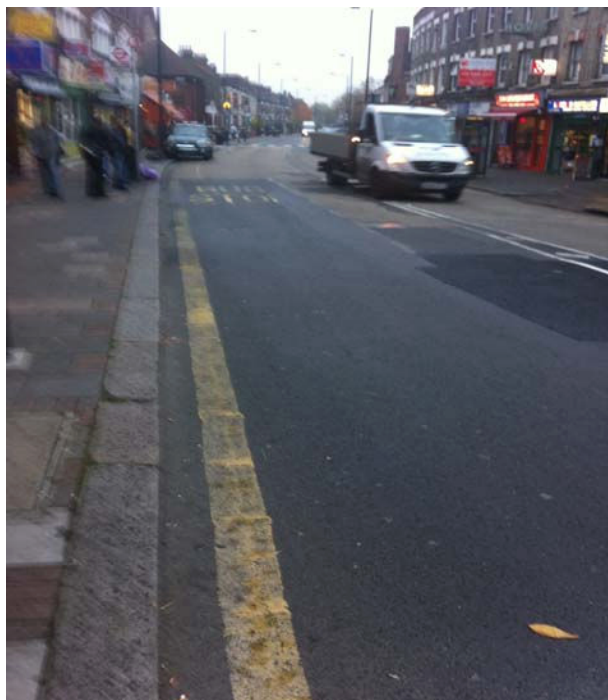
Possible Solutions:

- General maintenance of all restriction at this location.
- Waiting and Loading Restriction on the junction of Downhills Park Road need to prevent loading at any time.
- Loading restriction on the northern side need remarking/maintenance
- All signage needs to be checked and reinstalled where necessary.

Location 6: Crossing facility on Downhills Park Road



Location 7: Bus stop outside 270 Philip Lane



Possible Solutions: Bus stop badly faded, needs remarking.

Location 8: outside and opposite 264 Philip Lane

- Pay and Display parking operate Mon-Sat, 8 am – 6:30 pm north and south side of Philip lane.
- Concerns were raised with the footway parking on the northern side of Philip lane due to construction of footway.
- Observation: P&D parking on the southern side could be relocated to Summerhill Road within an existing lay-bye, to assist in the free flow of traffic.
- Concerns raised with existing footway parking.



Lay-bye Summerhill Rd



Possible Solutions:

Options 1

- Waiting and Loading restriction on Philip Lane within the P&D bays could be implemented during peak traffic flow to reduce traffic congestion.

Option 2

- Footway parking relocated to carriageway on northern side.
- P&D on southern side relocated to lay-bye on Summerhill Road, location above.
- All restrictions need to be remarked.

Location 9: Pay & Display parking on Colmell Road.



Action: remove waste bin from parking bay, this is an ongoing issue. Street Enforcement to take action.

Location 10:

- Bus stop outside The Lord Palmeston Pub / 195 Philip Lane.
- Bus stop excessively long.
- Bus stop cage no removed correctly.
- Justification for the length of this Bus cage. Request from Sustainable Transport



Possible Solutions:

- Bus stop to be removed correctly and TMO to be amended to reflect restrictions on street.
- Single yellow line with loading restrictions to be implemented in place of redundant Bus Stop markings.
- Implement Loading bay.

Location 11: single yellow lines, northern side outside St Philip Church to Launderette on the corner of Philip Lane and Hansworth Road operates Mon-Sat, 8 am - 6:30 pm.



Possible Solutions:

- Apply loading restrictions in line with existing single yellow line restrictions.

Location 12: Double yellow line restrictions on Hansworth Road (one way system)



Possible Solutions:

- Possible reduction in length of double yellow line (+/- 3m) on the east and west side of Hansworth Road to increase parking availability.

Location 13: existing single yellow lines on the north and south side of Philip Lane operate Mon-Sat, 8 am to 6:30 pm no loading restriction. Looking east and west between Hansworth Road and Gloucester Road



Possible Solutions:

- possible Loading restrictions in line with existing single yellow lines



Possible Solutions: Upgrade single yellow lines to double yellow lines with at any time loading restrictions.

Location 15: Single yellow lines between Gloucester Road and Kitchner Road operate Mon-Sat, 8 am - 6:30 pm.



Possible Solutions:

- possible loading restriction to assist in the flow of traffic

Location 16: Corner of Kitchner Road, Vehicle parked on forecourt, using footway/ dropped pedestrian tactile paving to gain access.



Possible Solutions: Enforcement action required

Location 17: Single yellow lines at junction of Kitchner Road



Possible Solutions: upgrade single yellow lines to double yellow line and apply at any time loading restrictions.

Location 18: outside and opposite 206 Philip Lane, existing single yellow lines operate Mon-Sat, 8 am - 6:30 pm.



Possible Solutions: loading restriction to be applied in line with existing restrictions to assist in the flow of traffic.

Location 19: Lawrence Road CPZ Entry Plate facing wrong way



Action: twist entry plate to face correct direction. Raised and with contractor.

Location 20: Pedestrian Crossing east of Lawrence Road faded.



Possible Solutions: repaint crossing facility

Location 21: Bus stop outside 178 Philip Lane and single yellow line faded.



Possible Solutions:

- Bus Stop needs to be repositioned to the west to assist in traffic flow and eliminate traffic congestion when bus is stationary, current position is at narrowest point. This is subject to approval from TFL and London busses.
- Bus Stop need repainting
- Single yellow line requires time plate and loading restriction, identify times and days.

Location 22. Single yellow lines opposite 178 Philip Lane, existing Waiting & Loading restrictions Mon – Sat, 8 am – 6:30 pm.



Possible Solutions:

- Kerb marking need to be remarked.
- Additional signage required in a western direction every 30 m
- Advance works warning sign to be removed, inform Sustainable Transport

Location 23. Junction of Mount Pleasant Road and entrance to 107 Philip lane existing single yellow lines operate Mon-Sat, 8 am - 6:30 pm.



Possible Solutions: upgrade single yellow lines to double yellow lines with loading restriction

Location 24:

- Mount Pleasant Road zigzag north of crossing point in one way road heading northwards.
- Are 8 zigzag required?
- Could CPZ bays be extended and zigzags reduced?



Possible Solutions:

- Possible extension of Bruce Grove CPZ bays and relocation of CPZ entry Plates southwards.

Location 25:

- Within the Seven Sister CPZ, existing single yellow line on the southern side operates Mon-Sat, 8 am - 6:30 pm.
- Bay marking faded.



Possible Solutions:

- Introduce loading restriction to single yellow line along southern side of Philip Lane.
- Remark bays opposite

Location 26: CPZ parking bay on the southern side from property no 91 – 95 potentially cause dangerous obstruction to traffic when vehicles are utilising bay. Currently should a vehicles parked within this bay it would force a vehicle travelling west around corner into oncoming traffic.



Possible Solutions: Remove Permit bay from southern side and replace with single yellow line/double yellow lines with appropriate loading restrictions.

Location 27: Footway parking bays from property 150 to 132.



Possible Solutions: footway parking bays to be repositioned onto the carriageway should bays opposite be removed

Location 28: Jansons Road junction existing waiting restrictions



Possible Solutions: Loading restriction to be applied

Location 29: Philip Lane name plate



Action: remove name plate form wall, NA team to action

Location 30: Naper Road, Zone Exit Plate both side of road



Action: Remove zone Exit plates, not required

Location 31: Crossing facility junction of Naper Road faded



Possible Solutions: remark crossing facility.

Location 32: Block paving not relay correctly junction of Naper Road



Possible Solutions: relay trench with matching block paving.

Location 33: TFL loading bay operating between 10 am -4 pm Mon – Sun



Possible Solutions: Notify TFL requesting permanent removal.

Appendix B

Estimated cost:

Items not listed

Location 2 Flooding is not identified as a problem at this location. There may be excess surface water during periods of extended inclement weather – no further work costed.

Location 9 Street enforcement to action – action taken by Neighbourhood Services

Location 16 Parking enforcement to action – action taken by parking enforcement

Location 19 Issued to contractor as maintenance work completed

Location	Consultation/TMO Cost	Site works	Description
1	£2,000.00	£14.25	20 m loading blips
		£438.28	2 loading sign and 2 post
2	£2,000.00	£17.75	20 m parking bay
		£38.51	56 m of loading blips on 2 junctions
3		£547.85	4 loading sign and 2 post
		£15.12	15m of double yellow line restriction
4	£2,000.00	£40.54	60 m of loading blips
		£75.60	75m of double yellow line restriction
5		£50.68	75 m of loading blips
		£547.85	4 loading sign and 2 post
6		£109.57	2 plate to be installed
		£40.54	60m of loading blips
7		£273.93	Pedestrian crossing remark
8		£164.36	Bus Stop remark
8	£2,000.00	£35.50	20m relocate Pay&Display parking
		£17.75	20m remove Pay&Display parking
10	£2,000.00	£14.19	20m of single yellow waiting and loading restriction
		£876.56	relocation of Pay&Display machine
10	£2,000.00	£164.36	relocate Pay&Display signage
		£20.27	30m remark loading blips on 2 junctions
10	£2,000.00	£5.04	10m single yellow line
		£6.79	10m of loading blips
11	£2,000.00	£34.88	removal of redundant Bus Stop 8 letters
		£855.66	removal of redundant Bus Stop red surfacing 18.75m ²
11	£2,000.00	£17.75	20 m loading bay
		£164.36	1 post and plate and installation
11	£2,000.00	£28.38	40 m of loading blips
		£109.57	2 plate to be installed
12	£2,000.00	£4.03	reduce double yellow lines by 8m

Location	Consultation/TMO Cost	Site works	Description
13&15	£2,000.00	£216.89 £328.71	320m of loading Blips 6 plate to be installed
14	£2,000.00	£164.36 £28.23	1 post and plate and installation 28 m of double yellow line
		£20.27	28 m of loading blips
		£219.14	4 plate to be installed
17	£2,000.00	£20.23	28 m of double yellow line
		£20.27	28 m of loading blips
		£219.14	4 plate to be installed
18	£2,000.00	£17.37	40m of loading blips
		£20.16	40m single yellow line remarked
		£164.36	3 plate to be installed
20		£273.93	remark pedestrian crossing
21&22	£2,000.00	£547.85	remark and relocate Bus Stop
		£164.36	relocate Bus Flag
		£60.81	90m of loading blips
		£41.40	90 m of single yellow line remark
		£219.14	4 plate to be installed
		£164.36	1 post and plate and installation
23	£2,000.00	£25.20	25m of double yellow line
		£16.22	25m of loading blips
		£219.14	4 plate to be installed
24	£2,000.00	£7.10	8m parking bay
		£7.82	remove zig zag lines
		£657.42	relocation of CPZ entry posts and plates
25&26&27	£2,000.00	£20.16	40m of single yellow line
		£28.38	40m of loading blips
		£116.47	130m of parking bay to be remarked
		£26.63	30m of parking bay to be removed
		£36.16	remove parking bay plate
		£15.12	30 m of single yellow lines
		£20.27	30m of loading blips
		£54.79	1 plates to be installed
		£164.36	1 post and plate and installation
		£44.62	remove 2 redundant post
		£53.25	30m of footway parking to be relocated to carriageway
28	£2,000.00	£20.27	30m of loading blips
		£219.14	4 plate to be installed
29		£21.19	remove plate from wall
30		£21.19	remove CPZ exit plate
31		£273.93	remark pedestrian crossing
32		£1,095.70	reinstate trench on both side of junction to match existing surface
Total	£32,000.00	£10,805.43	

Location	Consultation/TMO Cost	Site works	Description
Total		£10,805.43	
Contingency 10%		1025.63	
Sub Total		£11,831.06	
25% Project Management		£2,820.30	
Grand Total	*£32000.00	£14,651.36	

* reduced to £25k if completed as an individual scheme.

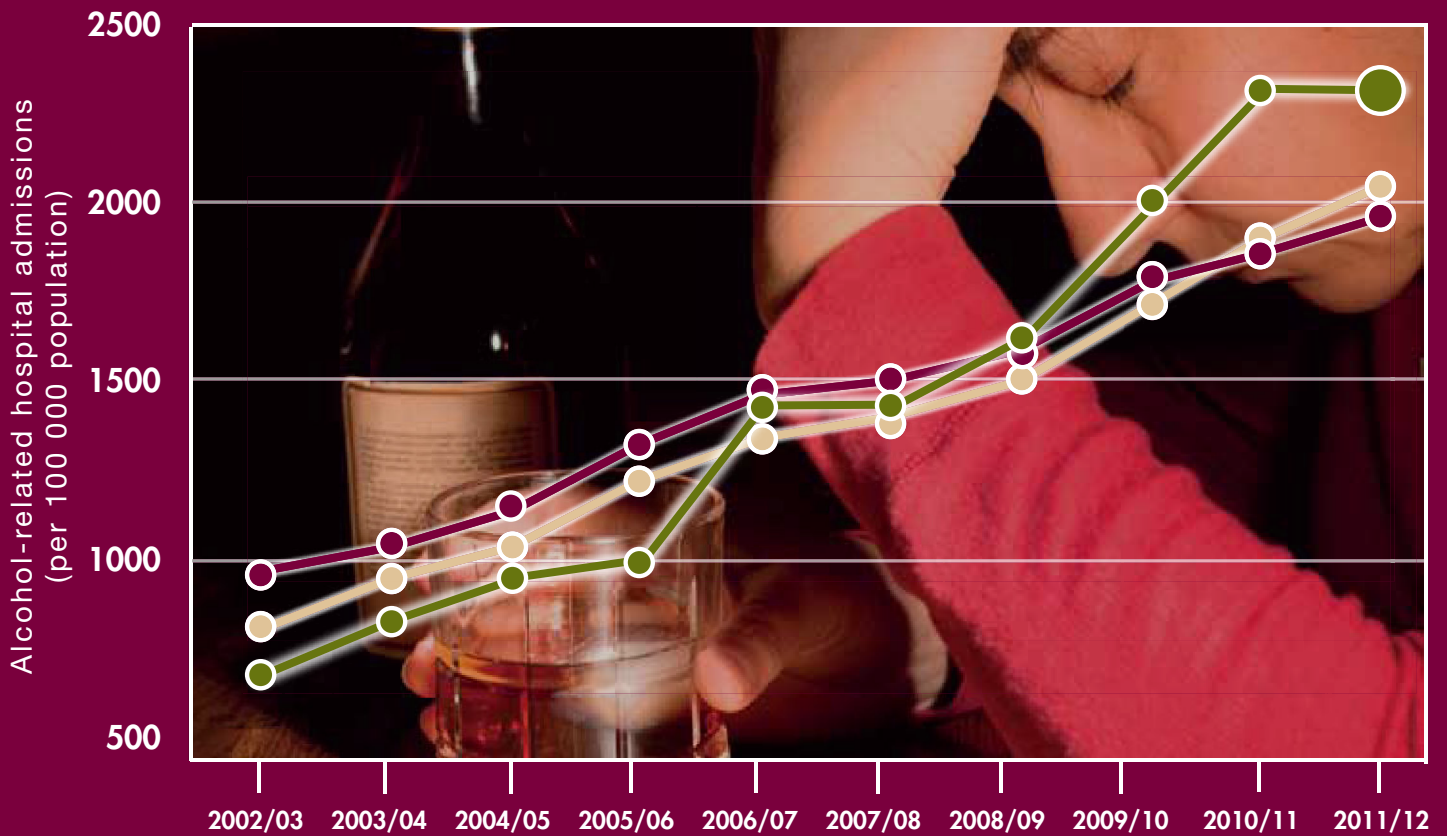
Appendix C**Programme of works**

Site	
Preliminary Design	
Draft traffic Order and Notice of proposal	
Draft Statutory Notification letters	50 day
Inform ward Cllrs of the proposals	
Distribute Statutory Notification letters	
Publication of Notice of Proposals	
Site Notices to be posted on site	10 day
Consultation	21 day
Consider any objections & Draft delegated Report	15 days
Approval	
Any amendment Required	
Draft works Notification letter	20 days
Inform Ward Cllrs	
Distribute Works Notification letter	5 days
Finalise Traffic Order and Notice of making	
Publication of Notice of Making	
Site Notices to be posted on site	
Instructions to Contractor	
Works to commence on site	21 days
Site checks	5 days
Go-live parking enforcement	1 day
Total Project Timeframe	148 days approximately 5 month

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2013 Annual Public Health Report

Is Haringey over the limit?



The rise in alcohol-related harm

● Haringey
 ● London
 ● England



Drinking: too much of a good thing?

Since 1970 the amount of alcohol consumed per person has risen by 50% in the UK. During this time alcohol has become relatively cheaper and more readily available. Alcohol is aggressively and expertly marketed and drinking has become a normal feature of everyday life.

Alcohol can play a positive social and economic role - and the large majority of people enjoy alcohol without harm. However, excessive alcohol use can have a harmful effect on individuals, their families and our community.

There are huge costs to the UK economy, the cost of inpatient admissions in Haringey is estimated to be at least £7.5 million.

Alcohol was named as the most dangerous drug in the UK in 2009. It has become ever-present in our lives and those of our children: recognising when we go over the limit is not always obvious.

There are currently 884 licensed premises in Haringey, a rise of 41% or 255 new premises since 2005-6. These premises, along with larger supermarkets and on-line shopping facilities, often encourage bulk buying through considerable discounts.

Alcohol consumption is higher in men, in white English and Irish populations and lower in many Black and minority ethnic communities, though this may be changing in second generation communities.

Around 1 in 10 people in Haringey are binge drinking and over 10,000 people across the borough are higher risk drinkers, regularly going well above their daily recommended limits. More hidden are the 57,000 residents (around a quarter of people in the borough) putting their health at increased risk with less dramatic consumption - i.e. between 15 and 35 units a week for women and 22 and 50 for men.

Why is drinking over the limit bad for you?

Health harm

Alcohol-related harms are broad ranging and associated with even moderate levels of drinking. Health-related problems include: hypertension, cardiovascular disease, cancer, liver disease, mental illness, accidents in the home and on the road, violence and premature death. In most cases the relationship between alcohol and illness is simple: the more you drink the greater the risk of harm.

Men in Haringey have the highest death rate specifically due to alcohol in London. Around 6% of all hospital admissions in the borough are related to alcohol consumption – an increase of 224% between 2002 and 2012. Compared to England, men in Haringey are much more likely to be admitted to hospital and people living in the most deprived areas of Haringey have a quarter more admissions than the Haringey average. Reduced consumption would improve health inequalities as lower income groups suffer greater health harms.

Social harm

Alcohol misuse and dependency can affect work productivity, which can result in additional financial pressure on families.

Children and young people can often do little to protect themselves from the effects of parental drinking and can suffer emotional distress, neglect or violence. In Haringey, over one in ten (13%) people who seek alcohol treatment are parents living with their own children and nearly one in five (18%) have parental responsibility.

Nationally in around half of all violent crimes, victims believed their attackers had been drinking. Alcohol is also a common feature of domestic and sexual violence.

High levels of alcohol consumption are associated with increased risk taking particularly among young people, including unsafe sex and drink driving.

What are we doing to reduce alcohol-related harm?

Tackling alcohol-related harm is a complex issue. In Haringey, the council, the NHS, police, fire, probation services and the voluntary sector are:

- **Raising awareness of sensible drinking** as well as the impact of alcohol misuse through campaigns, both national and local such as alcohol awareness week (November every year) and Haringey's online alcohol screening and advice tool *Don't Bottle It Up* (www.dontbottleitup.org.uk)
- **Preventing alcohol-related harm to children and young people** by working with schools and other frontline services
- **Strengthening enforcement** to control access and reduce alcohol-related crime and anti-social behavior
- **Increasing early help by training** frontline staff to ask the right questions and provide basic advice and signposting to services
- **Encouraging self help** by promoting self help groups such as Alcoholics Anonymous (www.alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk) and AI-Anon (family and friends, www.al-anonuk.org.uk)
- **Providing effective treatment** by continuously improving our services for people with alcohol issues and the families and children affected by alcohol misuse. Haringey's local alcohol advice and treatment services is Haringey Advisory Group on Alcohol (HAGA) (www.haga.co.uk)



Dear all,

Public health is now at the heart of your local authority.

After a successful transition from the NHS to the local authority, I am delighted to present my second annual Public Health report focusing on alcohol. These reports are important ways for me to bring to your attention key health concerns in Haringey. They highlight the way in which public health is everyone's business.

Last year we focused on the dramatic rise in childhood obesity, a crisis in our community requiring collective and individual action. The publicity and interest generated by the report helped us focus on tackling the proliferation of fast-food outlets in the borough. We're working with academics and young people to do on-the-ground research on the role fast food plays in their diets and ways we could tackle excess. We have strengthened our approach through good connections between public health, planning and environmental health to take this work forward, in particular linking to schools and local businesses.



Tackling alcohol-related harm

In this year's report, we focus on the rapid increase in alcohol-related harm in our borough, an issue that similarly needs our urgent individual and collective attention. Tackling alcohol misuse is key to achieving the outcomes in Haringey's Health and Wellbeing Strategy: giving every child the best start in life, reducing the gap in life expectancy between the east and west of the borough and improving mental health and well being.

Alcohol can affect people negatively, this impact is generally greater in people experiencing a whole range of challenges linked to poverty. Alcohol-related harm drives health inequalities.

Everyone should have the right to enjoy the best possible health outcomes and tackling alcohol-related harm is one of the ways we can achieve this. We need to create community spaces that are alcohol free or where alcohol can be enjoyed but in moderation. We need to give people the tools to understand when they are drinking too much and what they can do to cut down. Ideally we want to create a culture that prevents problem drinking from starting and provides help for people early on should they be struggling.

Some of the ways we might do this are: ensuring health considerations are taken into account in any licensing decisions, through community safety efforts to tackle alcohol crime and anti-social behaviour and just as importantly by making sure that the right services are in place for people who need help.

I am proud too of the emphasis Haringey places on recovery – helping people who have misused drugs or alcohol gain control over their lives and the services they receive. We have a network of Recovery Champions across the borough; we actively challenge stigma through initiatives such as Recovery Pride week, peer advocacy programmes and ensure our services facilitate access to education, training and employment skills for people recovering from alcohol or drug problems.

Of course while local action is important, we also need to advocate for tough action at a national level to limit the sale and promotion of alcohol, including setting a 50p per unit minimum price of alcohol.

What can you do?

The issue of alcohol use should be a concern to us all. I would like to hear your stories, thoughts or ideas about how as a community we can build a healthy approach to alcohol and tackle alcohol-related harm. Please contact me at jeanelle.degruchy@haringey.gov.uk. I look forward to hearing from you.

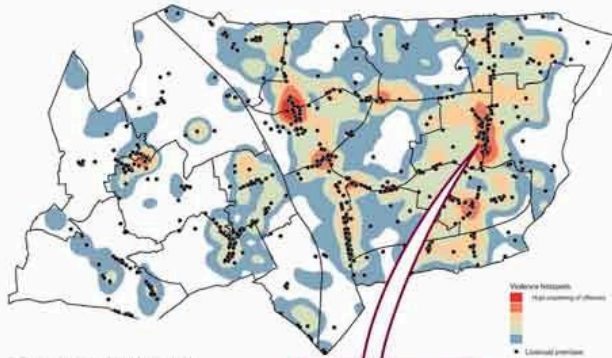
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Dr Jeanelle de Gruchy
Director of Public Health

Less alcohol = a healthier you!

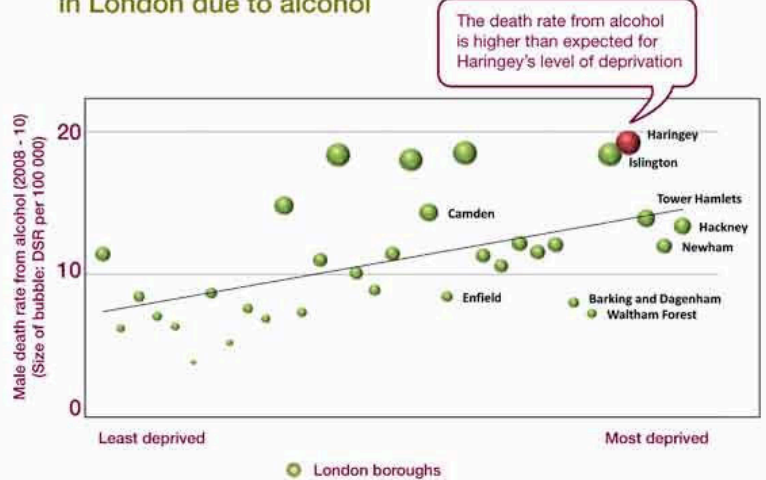
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Violence hotspots and licensed premises in Haringey



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Men in Haringey have the highest death rate in London due to alcohol



Do you know your drink?

a) How many units are in a pint of beer (ABV 5.2%)?



b) How many units are in a shot (25ml) of whiskey (ABV 40%)?



c) Which has more calories, a 175ml glass of wine (13% ABV) or a bag of crisps?



A large number of us do not know our drink. Weekly sales of alcohol are twice as much as the population estimate they drink. This suggests we underestimate what we drink by a huge 50%.

Answers: a) 3 units b) 1 unit c) They both have 275 calories. Women should not drink more than 2-3 units per day. Men should not drink more than 3-4 units per day.

Take the alcohol test online and find out if your drinking is risky



dontbottleitup.org.uk

Alcohol can harm people of all ages



Pregnancy: There is a risk of harm to your unborn baby and a greater risk of miscarriage if you drink whilst pregnant.

Young People: You may engage in risky behaviour such as unprotected sex. Binge drinking may store up problems for your health in the future.

Adults: Drinking over your limit may be taking its toll on your health, on your work and on your home-life.

Older People: There is a greater risk of falling and alcohol can interfere with your medication(s).

Cutting down on alcohol:

- Make a plan:** Before you start drinking, set a limit on how much you're going to drink.
- Set a budget:** Only take a fixed amount of money to spend on alcohol.
- Let them know:** If you let your friends and family know you're cutting down and that it is important to you, you could get support from them.
- Take it a day at a time:** Cut back a little each day. That way every day you do is a success.
- Make it a smaller one:** You can still enjoy a drink but go for smaller sizes.
- Cut down the alcohol:** by swapping strong beers or wines for ones with a lower strength (ABV in %).
- Stay hydrated:** Drink water before you start drinking, and have a soft drink in between alcoholic ones.
- Know your drink:** Keep an eye on how much you're drinking with www.drinkcoach.org.uk

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AREA PLAN – West Green & Bruce Grove

West Green & Bruce Grove Area Plan –for discussion at Area Committee on 23 April 2013

Priority	Year Two Activity 2013/14	Service / Partner Action	Lead Service & Lead Officer Contact	Outcomes	Time-scales	UPDATE April 2013
1. Active Community Life	Increase communication about local activities.	Homes for Haringey (HfH) Estate bulletins are sent out after every Estate Inspection. Residents are invited to inform the Tenancy Management Officer of an activity taking place they want to promote.	Sharon Morgan – Deputy Director Operations, Homes for Haringey			This will be changing as part of the New vision for the Housing Service Project. From June 2013 there will be a new process in place. Members to be advised of this before implementation.
	Use of notice-boards to advertise local activities and groups.	Homes for Haringey 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	Forward plan of communication message posters. New monitoring/r efreshing system to ensure communication posters and contact information posters are up to date and in good condition.	May 2013	Content of Noticeboards will be refreshed in April/May 2013 when the new Housing Operations Structure is in place.

AREA PLAN – West Green & Bruce Grove

Priority	Year Two Activity 2013/14	Service / Partner Action	Lead Service & Lead Officer Contact	Outcomes	Time- scales	UPDATE April 2013
<p>1. Active Community Life (cont)</p>	<p>Make more use of Bernie Grant Arts Centre.</p> <p>Investigate whether local Council buildings could be let to community groups at no / reduced cost.</p> <p>Explore ways of making Goan Community Centre sustainable in order to establish a local community hub.</p> <p>Make use of empty properties</p> <p>Explore future use, by the community, of Keston Road Centre buildings.</p>	<p>Haringey 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 Strategy 2011-16 – see www.haringey.gov.uk/voluntary_sector_strategy). Key issues the Building Review will consider are:</p> <p><u>Building condition</u> – generally the portfolio is considered to be in poor state of repair overall, with limited capacity to invest.</p> <p><u>Community use</u> – some buildings could be made more generally available as a flexible resource.</p> <p><u>Utilisation</u> – some buildings are under-utilised due to limited opening hours, constraints to flexibility in uses and building condition</p> <p>The approach to the Buildings Review is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assess the building stock condition and utilisation of the buildings and other Council properties available for community use. 2. Evaluate all buildings to identify opportunities for redevelopment and 	<p>Dinesh Kotecha – Property Services Manager</p>			<p>Further to the Cabinet decision (December 2012), and key strategic principles for community buildings, the next phase of the Review has commenced.</p> <p>This will include an in depth review of tenant sustainability, community benefits 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 buildings are used in line with outcome 5 of</p>

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		<p>consider disposal options that could help realise or contribute to other Council objectives relating to regeneration and housing and employment.</p> <p>3. Develop options for increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of community building assets.</p> <p>The review is in progress and a list of relevant properties, initial outcomes and options will be available in Autumn 2012.</p> <p>Recommended that outcome of Review is considered as part of future Area Forum agenda.</p>				<p>the Council's Voluntary Sector Strategy-To provide support to enable Voluntary Sector organisations to access and to share high quality premises. The process will include a tenant 'self assessment', and inform the Council's options appraisals.</p>

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2. Broadwater Farm Shops / Facilities		Recommended that Broadwater Farm community infrastructure /amenities is considered as part of a future Area Forum agenda (2012/13).	Phil Harris - Deputy Director for Community Housing Services			Agenda item on 23.04.2013
3. Community Capacity Building	Local community groups to be trained on how to navigate licensing and planning procedures.	The Planning pages – visit www.haringey.gov.uk/planning-mainpage 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. Remit to be discussed at Area Committee on 28th February 2013	Nick Powell – Head of Carbon Management and Sustainability	Planning training available to local community groups Leaflet produced	31.01.13 (TBC) March	Session arranged for 11.04.2013 Reviewing best way of promoting these services to

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		Licensing, Trading Standards and Waste. The pamphlet will explain local powers and ways residents can help enforcement activity.	Manager, Single Frontline		2013	residents. Use of Haringey People to promote services during 2013/14 where possible.
4. Community Safety	Strengthen local Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNTs), as they are currently understaffed.	The police are aware of this local issue. However, recruitment is carried out centrally and must follow a process. This process is currently underway with pressure from Haringey Metropolitan Police Service (MPS). It is estimated that the Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) will be in place by September 2012.	Inspector Mark Hembury - Safer Neighbourhoods			
4. Community Safety (cont)	Ensure greater engagement between police and community (particularly young people). Ensure SNT has a focus on prevention and education. Tackle anti-social	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 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 Inspector.	Inspector Mark Hembury - Safer Neighbourhoods			

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	behaviour (ASB) on Langham Close, Broadwater Farm, Millicent Fawcett Court and the junction between West Green Road, Langham Road and Westbury Avenue.	areas and are already directing resources there. Report on progress can be provided at future Area Forums.	Hembury- Safer Neighbourhoods			
	Tackle drug-dealing on West Green Road, Tottenham High Road and behind Turnpike Lane.	Police teams will investigate this and report back at a future Area Forum.	Inspector Mark Hembury-Safer Neighbourhoods			
	Tackle vehicle crime on Gloucester, Clonmell and Field Roads.	This is also a known problem. Acting Inspector Mike Tisi is putting a specific plan together for the local area. Report on progress can be provided at future Area Forum.	Inspector Mark Hembury -Safer Neighbourhoods			
	Improve the entrance area to Bruce Grove overground station to deter anti-social behaviour.	Network Rail, the landowner, has plans to improve the entrance area. The Council's Tottenham Regeneration Team is working with them on the plans. Councillors have received a briefing on this.	Bernadette Marjoram – Director, Tottenham Regeneration Team	Planning enforcement action complied with and closed	November 2012	
				Development proposals	January 2013	

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5. Early Intervention	<p>Co-ordinate volunteer programme to get parents into work experience / acquiring skills (scope to join up e.g. children's centres, HAVCO, Friends of Downhill Park, Back to Earth Allotments).</p> <p>Develop a community mentoring scheme to support parents locally.</p> <p>Source funding for crèche facilities so that parents can attend courses (parenting, ESOL etc.)</p>	<p>Volunteer schemes have been run from the Children's Centres. It is an area that we are reviewing and would want to develop further.</p> <p>In addition, Team London – www.london.gov.uk/teamlondon will have a presence at the Employment and Enterprise Centre at 639 High Road (Team London is the Mayor of London's volunteering programme for all Londoners). Volunteering opportunities will run through the service model at 639 and will include opportunities for parents (2012/13).</p> <p>This could be considered as part of the ongoing development of the Children's Centres.</p> <p>The Haringey Welcome Project - funded through the Home Office (visit www.haringey.gov.uk/haringeywelcome) supports newly arrived families in partnership with the Haringey Adult Learning Service (HALS).</p> <p>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). Recommended that an update is provided at a future Area Forum</p> <p>The Parks Service produces a monthly promotion through the "What's On"</p>	<p>Ngozi Anuforo – Early Years Commissioning Manager</p> <p>Bernadette Marjoram – Director, Tottenham Regeneration Team</p> <p>Ngozi Anuforo – Early Years Commissioning Manager</p> <p>Bernadette Marjoram – Director, Tottenham Regeneration Team</p>	<p>New facility in Tottenham</p>	<p>March 2013</p>	
	<p>Encourage use of local parks as places of</p>		<p>Simon Farrow – Head of Client</p>			

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6. Health	enjoyment and activity.	<p>guide (www.haringey.gov.uk/time_out_in_haringey) giving details on activities and events 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.</p> <p>Downhills Park playground requires cosmetic improvements – investigate whether funding available.</p>	Services, Leisure Services			
	Breastfeeding promotion / education programme.	<p>Haringey has begun the process of UNICEF Baby Friendly (see www.unicef.org.uk/babyfriendly) 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 developed which details the process for achieving accreditation.</p>	Sheena Carr – Senior Public Health Commissioning Strategist	Increase in women who breastfeed in West Green and Bruce Grove	Quarterly data reported to Department of Health and local analysis undertaken on annual basis.	Haringey achieved Stage 1 Baby Friendly Accreditation for the Community (Health centres, children's centres, GP practices) in February 2013. We now have two years to complete Stage 2.
	Public health focus on prevention.	Haringey's Public Health Service 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	5000 health checks 2000 stop smoking through the	April 2013 April 2013	

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7. Housing	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)	service Please encourage all residents to complete online survey form on Haringey Web page or to feedback to Steve Russell any concerns they have by email or in writing. Consultation closes 30 th Nov 2012.		
	Improve lighting on Park View Road and Reynardson Court (next to police station).	Proposal to introduce an additional HMO Licensing Scheme for certain houses in multiple occupation (HMOs) in all or part of the five wards which make up the Tottenham area (Northumberland Park, Bruce Grove, Tottenham Green, Tottenham Hale, Seven Sisters).	Sharon Morgan – Deputy Director Housing Management, Homes for Haringey		To be completed by 31.3.2013.	Instructions issued to Haringey Council Lighting Team to proceed.
	Review current repairs budget vs.	A quote was received from Haringey Council's lighting department for Reynardson Court, but it was not affordable. Negotiations taking place on cost/scope e.g. to focus just on car park area which is of greatest concern to residents and staff. Our aim is for some works to be undertaken in 2012/13. Park View Road to have survey and quote which will be assessed with other bids for 2012/13 Estate Improvement funding. A strategic piece of work is being undertaken cross-borough to investigate	Martin Hoctor – Head of Client	Buildings requiring	Ongoing	The exercise is ongoing as a

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	replacement budget to address frequently broken stairwell doors.	repeated repairs spend on same 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).	Services & Annual Maintenance, Homes for Haringey	substantial expenditure on maintenance are identified as priorities for renewal		method of shaping the capital investment programme
	Designing-in community safety aspects to housing	Langham Close and Millicent Fawcett Court – security doors are hidden down dark alleys and should be brought to the street front. For discussion at future Area Forum. Please note: 'Langham Close' is managed by Clockwork Estates Ltd.				
8. Parks & Green Spaces	Introduce and enforce Dog Control Orders.	Formal consultation will take place on Dog Control Orders (visit www.haringey.gov.uk/dogcontrol) 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. Recommended that an update is provided at the Area Form scheduled for 23rd April 2013.	Robert Curtis – Team Leader, Tactical Enforcement		Proposed launch date is 1 st April 2013.	Proposed launch date is 1 st April 2013. Further update and information to be provided at the Area Forum on 23 rd April 2013.
	Increase summer opening hours of Downhills Park café.	Leisure Services to investigate the potential and feasibility of extended opening hours with the HAIL charity that	Simon Farrow – Head of Client Services, Leisure			

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8. Parks & Green Spaces (cont.)	Encourage more ways to get involved in parks e.g. food growing, activities, sports groups using parks.	run the café, by July 2012. Recommended that an update is provided at a future Area Forum. A decision has been taken not to proceed with an Allotments Review in 2012/13. However, should any new opportunities arise information will be provided to the Area Forum (updated 28.05.12) Suggested that an update is provided as a future Area Forum agenda item.	Services Simon Farrow – Head of Client Services, Leisure Services			
	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 shrub displays. This year, the theme is the Jubilee. Jubilee in Bloom – www.haringey.gov.uk/jib 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			

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9. Public Realm	Provide advice and support to community groups wanting to tidy up communal gardens.	Part of the new Neighbourhood Action Team's (NAT'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 co-ordinate support from Veolia (gloves, bins and advice etc).	Brian Ellick – NATS Team Leader	Launch of Resident Enablement Scheme	2013/14	Proposals for an Environment Champions scheme being developed for later in the year
		Neighbourhood Services is also developing an Environment Champions scheme (formerly Community Volunteers), to be launched 2013/14.	Zoe Robertson – Engagement & Enablement Manager	Ongoing	Hedge was pruned and will be monitored again in December	COMPLETED
	Clean up the hedge in front of the Tottenham Green Leisure Centre.	Neighbourhood Action Team and Leisure Centre to resolve issue by Summer 2012.	Michael McNicholas – Neighbourhood Action Team Manager	Michael McNicholas		
	Local people to help inform Neighbourhood Action Team's and Veolia's work.	The fastest way to report incidents is through the Council's Report a Problem webpage at Report it: Haringey Council . It is much slower to report an incident via fixmystreet etc.	Michael McNicholas			

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9. Public Realm (cont.)		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.	Caroline or Zoe			The Love Haringey app is currently being developed and tested and will be trialled by a small group of residents prior to being launched in 2013/14.
	Single Frontline officers to use enforcement powers against fly-tipping etc.	Tackling fly-tipping is a key aim for the Neighbourhood 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.	Michael McNicholas – Neighbourhood Action Team Manager	Fly-tipping pilot now underway	Ongoing	
	Merge gyratory plans with wider South Tottenham Regeneration – connecting 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).	Bernadette Marjoram – Director, Tottenham Regeneration Team	Completed capital scheme	Completion 2014	
	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.	Bernadette Marjoram – Director, Tottenham Regeneration Team	Completed capital scheme	Completion Winter 2013	
	Lighting improvements to Bruce Grove (the road), end of	The Council is unable to commit to this due to unknown level of funding beyond 2012/13 and that funding has already	Mahmood Ramjan – Network Manager			Funding recently secured for upgrading old

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	Moorefield Road.	been allocated to other locations.				concrete lamp columns and fitting LED lanterns in Bruce Grove, on Lordsmead, Kitchener, Broadwater Morrison and Napier, starting in May 2013.
	Transport	Request for consultation regarding road safety. For discussion at future Area Forum.	Tony Kennedy - Sustainable Transport Manager or Transport for London depending on location			
	Bring Jobcentre Plus back to opposite No. 639.	Job Centre Plus is due back at their previous site in April 2012 (opposite 639).	Bernadette Marjoram – Director, Tottenham Regeneration Team			COMPLETED
	Keep Haringey Council services in Tottenham (housing etc) so there are employed people coming into the area every day.	The Tottenham Regeneration Team is pushing central government to bring a major government agency to the area. We are also working with the Greater London Authority (GLA) to develop 639 High Road as a civic hub with business incubation space and a Council presence there (2012/13 onwards)	Bernadette Marjoram – Director, Tottenham Regeneration Team	New facility in Tottenham	March 2013	
	Encourage more shops to join Tottenham Traders' Network.	The Tottenham Regeneration Team is working with the Tottenham Traders Partnership	Bernadette Marjoram – Director,	Development of action plan and charter	Charter launched January	

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		<p>(www.tottenhamtraders.co.uk) to develop their capacity and to get a greater range of businesses involved in their governance. The 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.</p>	Tottenham Regeneration Team		2013 Ongoing work programme	
10. Unemployment	<p>Ensure commitments made by businesses to employ local people are enforced.</p> <p>Regeneration programme needs to help local people develop skills so they can benefit from employment opportunities.</p>	<p>The Council's new Employment Strategy was agreed by Cabinet in March 2012 and will be delivered over the next two years. The new Employment Programme (particularly the job creation element where a minimum of 200 new jobs will be created in partnership with businesses) will include skills development plans including apprenticeships leading to Level 2/3 qualifications. The job creation scheme will include a wage subsidy to small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) to create new jobs for local unemployed people with incentive payments if the job lasts 9 months and 12 months. Young people under 25 will be the primary focus of the programme. The programme will also support enterprise and self employment and develop a new Enterprise and Employment Centre at 639 Tottenham High Road. The</p>	Martin Tucker – Regeneration Manager, Employment & Skills		Ongoing	Jobs for Haringey delivering across the borough. At the end of January 2013 369 people are being supported by the programme with 187 getting into employment.

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10. Unemployment (cont.)	Council to facilitate the development / relocation of jobs to Tottenham.	programme will also provide a new focus on 14-16/17 year olds to ensure young people are sufficiently aware of the full range of employment possibilities including self-employment. Cabinet Report and Haringey Jobs Fund Prospectus can be viewed at www.haringey.gov.uk/haringeyjobsfund	Martin Tucker – Regeneration Manager, Employment & Skills		In place November 2012 and ongoing	The first 2 non- construction apprentice has been recruited through Jobs for Haringey and Spurs will recruit 35 apprenticeships by June 2013 – 20 in finance, 5 hospitality and 10 in Community Sports. Recruitment will be via Jobs for Haringey and Econ Dev will provide local candidates for the new posts. Open Days will be held at THFC to promote and

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						<p>recruit to these opportunities. A schedule for recruitment to further apprenticeship opportunities will be agreed later in 2013.</p> <p>The recruitment for the 250 new jobs at the supermarket will proceed over the summer of 2013, Economic Development are looking at a partnership agreement with Sainsbury's whereby Jobs for Haringey will be able to refer local people who are part of the programme for vacancies and will work together to run job fairs, workshops etc to prepare residents for the</p>

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						<p>opportunities as and when they arise. J4H will discuss with Sainsbury's job descriptions, person specs, interview and selection process etc and how J4H can better prepare participants to ensure maximum take up of jobs. A similar process will be put into effect once other job opportunities arise during the course/lifetime of the development.</p>
	<p>Voluntary sector and other partners to promote work opportunities to young adults.</p>	<p>Team London (www.london.gov.uk/teamlondon) 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).</p>	<p>Bernadette Marjoram – Director, Tottenham Regeneration Team</p>			

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	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).	Bernadette Marjoram – Director, Tottenham Regeneration Team			
11. Youth Provision	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 four-month programme up to the Summer holidays. The programme will most likely run 5 nights a week from 4pm to 8pm.	Jahan Dhondy – Youth, Community and Participation	Successful summer programme with a wide variety of activities. The centre is currently open 3 nights per week with a 4 th evening being used for the young commissioners' programme. In addition Unity online radio is based at Bruce Grove	Ongoing	
	Develop local work	The Council is developing a new	Martin Tucker –			On 13 March a

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	experience / apprenticeship schemes for young people.	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).	Regeneration Manager, Employment & Skills			major event on apprenticeships was held in Haringey involving the Council, JCP, CHENEL, National Apprenticeships Service and employers and businesses. It was attended by approx. 200 residents
	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	Support offered to Third Sector groups (inclusive of Faith groups) to become commissioning ready Young Commissioners have been trained to deliver training to Faith groups		

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				<p>so that there is an increased understanding of commissioning. In particular Highway Youth Club has had targeted training to ensure that their after school provision is of the highest quality</p>		

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Arboricultural and Allotments Service planted a total of 130 new trees in the West Green and Bruce Grove wards during the 2011/12 planting season. It was a mixture of replacement trees in vacant pit and trees planted in new locations.

There were no real issues, a small number of residents did object to having a tree planted outside their home, but this is normal across the whole borough.

36 of the trees were planted as part of the DIY streets project in the area behind Turnpike Lane Station. See link below

<http://diyturnpikelane.wordpress.com/>

regards

Alex Fraser
Arboricultural and Allotments Manager
London Borough of Haringey

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Title:	<i>The Chair's response to Agenda items put forward to the Area Forum and Committee meeting and an update on previous issues discussed at Forum meetings</i>
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Report authorised by :	
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Lead Officer:	Ayshe Simsek
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Ward(s) affected:	Report for Key/Non Key Decision: N/A
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1. Describe the issue under consideration

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

To further provide an update on previous issues discussed at the forum meetings, this was requested in the feedback questionnaire issued at the last meeting in June.

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



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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.

Joe Cullen – local resident raised the following concerns which have been responded to below.

- Lack of diversity of the shops along Bruce Grove, offering the same products,
- The shop fronts - can the store keepers be incentivised to keep their shop fronts tidy/ new lick of paint?

The Tottenham Traders in partnership with the Council and the Police have recently launched the Tottenham High Street Charter which set out a list of priorities to improve of High Streets. One of the trader's objectives is to improve their shop fronts and their window displays. A number of clean up events and workshops will be happening over 2013 to support the traders with this.

One of the Council's key objectives for town centres is to ensure that people have access to a full range and quality of goods and services. The way town centres look is an important factor in their character and the way they are perceived. Through planning policy in particular, the Council seeks to support and promote all of its town centres as existing successful and vibrant town centres and places that will attract new businesses, jobs and homes.

The predominant use in our town centres is A1 (shops). However, in order to encourage a more mix of uses and vibrancy, we will also encourage other appropriate non A1 uses. These include banks, estate agents (A2), restaurants (A3) pubs (A4) and take aways (A5) or



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community facilities. are also appropriate uses within town centres, and are encouraged.

We recognise that some uses within town centres can have negative impacts on vitality and vibrancy, for example, the clustering of betting shops and hot food take away. The Council is actively working to promote a wide range of retail uses as well as leisure and community uses. The Council is in the process of updating its planning policy on retail and town centres and will be consulting on the document in March. New retail development that will have a negative impact on existing town centres will be resisted where possible. We will encourage proposals that add to the vibrancy and choice of shops in the existing centres

- The bridge at the bottom of Bruce Grove - needs painting and lighting - it's the gateway and so needs some TLC

There is ongoing dialogue with Transport for London and Network Rail about their investment plans for Bruce Grove and there are significant projects proposed in the next 2 years that could see all pavements from Monument Way to Bruce Grove re-paved and for the railway bridge to be repainted. We are working with both organisations to confirm and expedite plans.

- Anti social/intimidating behaviour outside numerous betting shops on the High Road. Wondering what the council/police intend to do.

Update on issues discussed at previous forum meetings

Bruce Grove Youth Centre

Five young people who are users at Bruce Grove have been involved in the formation of an Area Youth Forum. There will be a formal launch in February half term with an immediate focus on recruitment and fundraising. The young people want to make a short film of what life is like for them in the Tottenham area and use this mechanism to identify key issues for consideration.

Bruce Grove Youth Centre is currently used four evenings per week and is used by a Training Provider, First Rung, and two days per week to work with young people who are at risk of disengaging from employment or training. It is also used during the day time by students at the Tuition Service (an alternative provision for students with medical needs or who are school phobic or who have additional educational needs) for recreational activities in their break time. The Centre provides a safe meeting space for our work with young people who need individualised targeted support. Unity Radio, an internet based radio station is based at Bruce Grove. On average 25 young people attend and they have successfully interviewed a number of high profile people including: the US



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Secretary of State's Special Envoy, Hannah Rosenthal at the Hours Against Hate walk at Bruce Castle Park, KC, a DJ at Choice FM, David Lammy MP, and Labrinth, a chart topping performer at the Spirit of London Awards 2012.

We are working in partnership with the Harington Scheme to provide work experience and accredited horticultural training to a group of young people with LDD. The young people will work to reclaim the land at the back of Bruce Grove and transform it into a wildlife garden with the prospect of incorporating natural play and growing fruits and vegetables.

Broadwater Farm Facilities and Amenities

This discussion will take place at the meeting.

Higham Road

In response to the suggestion to have convex mirrors along the public highway, the Highways team have advised that the glare from the mirror can often increase the potential for accidents

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

There was a presentation at the last meeting on the 28.02.2013 about role and influence of the council on this matter .The presentation contained some good information for parents and was published on the council website as part of the west green and Bruce Grove agenda for 28.02.13 .Links to the education welfare service website which can provide guidance to parents about how to take forward a concern with the school if their child is being bullied and the support they can also provide in terms of mediation. The Chair agreed that this subject is returned to in 18 months time.

The roles and ways to expand performing arts and positive benefits it has in our local area especially as children , younger and older people can be involved promoting creativity, health, friendship and positive activities.

Notes of the presentation and discussion were passed to Regeneration and Children's services.

Council Tax Benefit Changes

Previously the Area Forum had been advised that Council tax benefit was being abolished and local authorities were being required to develop their own schemes by 31 January 2013, for 2013/14. The government was transferring the support to councils in 2013/14, with a reduction in funding of 10% and a requirement that the council's own scheme must maintain the support to



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pensioners. Cabinet had considered various options for the scheme at its meeting on 10th July 2012 and agreed to consult on the following 4 proposals

- To reduce payments to all working age claimants by an equal proportion in line with the reduction in government funding – estimated to be 20%.
- Reduce savings and investment allowed to £10,000
- Remove entitlement if less than £1
- Amend the maximum backdating period.

Subsequently, consultation responses from residents in November 2012 indicated a desire that some groups to be protected – in particular pensioners and the disabled. In response, the scheme recommended, protected claimants in receipt of particular benefits and recognised significant disability,

Full Council agreed on the 17th January to a reduced council tax support to working age claimants (excluding those in receipt of certain disability related benefits) by 19.8% overall, and also agreed the following technical changes to exemptions and discounts.

- a) Reduction of discount on Class D empty properties undergoing major repair (previously known as Exemption Class A) to 50% for one year and 0% discount thereafter. This was previously agreed at a flat 0% discount;
- b) Payment of an Empty Homes Premium on properties that have been empty and unfurnished for more than two years of 50%. Unoccupied annexes and properties belonging to a member of the armed forces currently absent as a result of this are excluded from this premium;
- c) One-off 100% discount for the first calendar month for Class C properties (Empty properties) and 0% discount thereafter. Occupation periods of less than six weeks will be disregarded in administering this discount;

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That the report be noted

4. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

N/A

