MINUTES OF THE MEETING Alexandra Palace and Park Consultative Committee HELD ON Monday, 6th October, 2025, 7.30 - 9.00 pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: Sean O'Donovan, Anne Stennett, Nick da Costa, Sarah Elliott and Emine Ibrahim

Co-optees/Non Voting Members: Jason Beazley (Three Avenues Residents Association), Duncan Neill (Muswell Hill and Fortis Green Residents Association), Nigel Willmott (Friends of the Alexandra Palace Theatre), Patricia Moody (Friends of Alexandra Park)

36. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Jason nominated Duncan Neil to be Chair.

Councillor Da Costa seconded the motion.

The Committee thanked Nigel Wilmott (the previous chair) for his commitment to the committee.

37. FILMING AT MEETINGS

The Chair referred to the filming of meetings and this information was noted.

38. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

39. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Buxton declared an interest as he is part of Coolhurt squash committee as the palace hosts the squash classic.

40. URGENT BUSINESS

Nigel Wilmott proposed for Duncan Neil to be appointed to the APPB Committee.

Jason Beazley seconded the motion.

41. MINUTES

- Approved the minutes of the CC as a correct record held on 17th July 2025 subject to the following amendments:



To add In Quorate in the title.

- Noted the minutes of the SAC held on Monday 17th July 2025.
- Noted the minutes of the Trustee Board Minutes held on the 18th September 2025.

42. CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORT

The Committee had been updated on 2025/26 progress, aligned with the Trust's vision of creating a sustainable home for all activities.

- Entertainment & Culture: The Summer Series concerts, theatre productions, family shows, exhibitions, and community events had successfully run, attracting diverse audiences. Market research and a new PR agency had been engaged to strengthen brand awareness. Leisure facilities such as the ice rink, boating lake, and Phoenix Bar had continued operations.
- Climate Resilience: Grant-funded projects for solar panels and secondary glazing had been initiated. Theatre and events teams had worked towards sustainability standards, and the London Squash Classic had reduced its environmental impact through efficient logistics.
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Overall, the Trust had made meaningful progress in culture, sustainability, and heritage preservation during the year.

It had been queried whether the summer market research was complete, and the officer confirmed it was near completion. It was also asked what system APP had used to store data, and the response was that work had been carried out on an old service, though moving to SharePoint had proved useful, with additional information stored on Dice and Spetrix. Congratulations had been expressed on the Instagram video posted by APP, and the committee had indicated they would like to see more of this in the future.

RESOLVED:

The Committee:

- 1.1 Noted the contents of this report
- 1.2 Provided comments on applications relating to Solar Panels (Boathouse), Secondary Glazing (CUFOS) and Shutters (Sports Pavilion).

43. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

There were none.

44. DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting was scheduled for 2nd February 2026.

CHAIR:
Signed by Chair
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