

**MINUTES OF THE WEST GREEN AND BRUCE GROVE AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, 31 JANUARY 2012**

Councillors Ejiogor, Dogus, McNamara, Mallett, Griffith

Apologies Councillor Khan

Also Present: Rob Curtis, Patrick Jones, Brian Ellick, Chris Joannou

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
WGBG AC 18	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (IF ANY) Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Khan, West Green ward councillor.	Clerk
WGBG AC19	URGENT BUSINESS There was a new item of urgent business on the regeneration in the Tottenham area. Officers in the Regeneration Team wanted the opportunity to engage the Committee in a discussion about plans, particularly about the proposed investment in the public realm and buildings of Bruce Grove town centre, before the next Committee meeting in April. The Chair accepted this report as an item of urgent business and it would be considered at item 11 on the agenda.	
WGBG AC20	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest put forward.	
WGBG AC21	MINUTES The minutes of the meeting held on the 20 September were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting. A list of tree planting activities for the West Green and Bruce Grove Ward area were attached to the minutes .A resident in Sirdar road had asked for a change, in the type of tree to be planted, from a Rowan tree to a Flowering Cherry. Cllr Mallett would take this forward with the	Clerk

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	Council's Arboricultural Officer.	
WGBG AC22	CONSULTATION ON DOG CONTROL ORDERS Rob Curtis, Team Leader, Tactical Enforcement & Trade Waste, attended the meeting to talk to residents and Committee members about the forthcoming consultation on Dog Control orders. Cabinet had recently agreed to start consultation on dog control orders following their commitment to ensure that residents were able to enjoy and play in parks and open places. This also meant tackling the amount of dog fouling in local areas. Dog groups had been part of the consultation process when compiling these proposals to ensure that the plans were focused on anti social dog owners. Plans would cover dog exclusion zones, dogs on leads, dogs on lead direction, and dog fouling. Enforcement officers with the support of the Safer Neighbourhood Teams would have powers to direct owners to put dogs on leads in certain areas. There would be an increase in on the spot fines from £50 to £80 for dog owners that were caught not cleaning up their dog's excrement. In terms of enforcing the rules around anti social behaviour related to dog fouling, an enforcement officer was only able to issue these fines to a dog owner when they were caught in the act of not clearing the dog foul. Therefore residents were encouraged to advise the council when they saw regular occurrences of this anti social behaviour. Residents could also email Rob Curtis at Haringey about the areas, including privately owned land, where dog control was of particular concern and had an impact on walking and leisure activities of residents. RESOLVED That the verbal update be noted	All to note
WGBG AC23	FLY TIPPING Brian Ellick, Neighbourhood Action Team attended the meeting to discuss how plans were progressing to tackle fly tipping in Tottenham. In addition, the local Neighbourhood Teams were working with partners and Veolia to identify hotspots in the West Green and Bruce Grove area. Currently the pilot project was taking place in Tottenham Green and Tottenham Hale wards. The issues raised from this pilot would inform an Action Plan and strategy to deal with fly tipping in the borough. To report incidences of fly tipping residents were encouraged to contact the Neighbourhood Action Teams on 0208 489 1335. Clarification was	All to

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	sought on whether the Council had any enforcement powers when fly tipping or general littering problems concerned housing estates in the control of RSLs? The Committee was advised that the Council were able to take forward these concerns with the RSL's. RESOLVED That the report be noted	note
WGBG AC24	UPDATE ON MAKING THE DIFFERENCE FUNDING The Committee considered a tabled paper which contained a list of the previously agreed projects to receive funding from the Making the Difference Fund. Some of the projects had received a monitoring visit or had been contacted by Members of the Committee. To enable the final issue of funding allocated, any outstanding monitoring visits or contacts with the organisations would need to be completed within the coming three weeks. The organisations would also have to return, by the end of March 2012, the required financial documentation to receive reimbursement for the projects that were agreed for funding. RESOLVED That the information be noted.	
WGBG AC25	TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING AND VENUE. The next meeting would take place on Monday 23 April at 6.00pm at the Broadwater Farm Community Centre, Adams Road, N17 6HE. There would be a councillor surgery at 5.30pm for residents to discuss issues of local concern. An item about the junction between Tottenham High Road and Bruce Grove station was put forward for discussion at the next meeting as there had been a number of pedestrian accidents at this crossing.	All to note Clerk
WGBG AC26	THE CHAIR'S RESPONSE TO ITEMS PUT FORWARD TO THE AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE MEETING Suggestions for topics for the forum part of the meeting were sought from local residents and traders, to enable the agenda to be driven as far	

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	as possible by local people. There were a number of agenda items put forward to the Chair to consider and the Area Forum and Committee terms of reference were referred to when agreeing items for the agenda. A report was attached which provided feedback on the agenda items that did not make the forum agenda and how they had been taken forward. RESOLVED That the report be noted.	
WGBG AC27	ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE The Committee received an update from Patrick Jones, Business and Enterprise Policy Officer about the Regeneration programme for Tottenham. This included information about the feedback received from the public consultation and funding for the regeneration programme. The Council and the GLA had this week reached a 41 million funding agreement to regenerate Tottenham High Road. There was wide consultation in the community on the regeneration plans from Tottenham with 700 responses received and transcribed. The key theme emerging from the consultation was that jobs growth was crucial to the regeneration of Tottenham. The briefing further described the compilation of a dedicated Tottenham Regeneration team to lead on key work such as: identifying funding requirements for the area, working with landowners, ensuring that sites were occupied /re – occupied as soon as possible and that the schemes were of the highest quality to support overall regeneration of the area. Also the team were developing planning policies and support to sustainable business use in the area. Work was continuing with Carpet Right and Aldi to take forward their planning applications and replace their buildings as soon as possible. Consultation on the planning brief for re-opening the Post Office on the High road was also continuing. In terms of continuing to support access to employment, Job Centre plus had relocated and were working with key client groups, families and young people, at the Northumberland Park Resource Centre. Following negotiations with the GLA, the building at 639 High Road would come back into use as an employment and enterprise hub as well as delivering services to support skills and training for young people. The briefing further included information on the 'I love Tottenham campaign', and details of the relocation of services in and around the	

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	Tottenham High road area. It was noted that Patrick Jones, Business and Enterprise Policy Officer, would meet with the Community Safety manager to discuss how the specifics of the plans for Tottenham, relevant to West Green and Bruce Grove, could be included in the Area Plan. Some concerns were expressed by the Chair of the Tottenham Traders Association about how businesses were being supported to ensure that they remained working in and around Tottenham High Road. Traders were invited to raise their individual local concerns with their appropriate ward councillors who would endeavour to ensure that their concerns were highlighted at the appropriate forums and with the appropriate officers. RESOLVED That the briefing be noted	
WGBG AC28	EXEMPT BUSINESS There were no items to consider.	

Cllr Ejiofor
Chair
West Green and Bruce Grove Area Forum/ Committee