

Muswell Hill, Alexandra, Fortis Green and Highgate Area Forum and Committee THURSDAY, 23RD OCTOBER, 2014

6.30 pm

VENUE: THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION MEETING ROOM, MUSWELL HILL ROAD, MUSWELL HILL, LONDON N10 3NG

MEMBERS OF THE AREA COMMITTEE/FORUM:

Councillors Beacham, Berryman, M Blake, Carter, Connor, Engert, Hare, McShane, Morris, Newton (Chair), Patterson and Ross

There will be a 'Report a Problem' surgery from 6.00pm to 6.30pm where officers from the Council's Frontline services and the Police Safer Neighbourhood Team will be in attendance.

Introduction by the Chair – Councillor Newton

1. AREA FORUMITEMS

In respect of the following items Members of the Public attending are encouraged to ask questions and raise any concerns

i. Budget - 6.30pm - 6.50pm

How to get involved in the Council's budget consultation.

Councillor Jason Arthur – Cabinet Member for Resources and Culture, & Matthew Gaynor – Head of Finance, Place and Sustainability, LB Haringey will be in attendance to give a brief summary and answer any points raised

ii. Colney Hatch Lane Junctions - 6.50pm - 7.35pm

Update on the study into junctions on Colney Hatch Lane with Alexandra Park Road and Pages Lane to improve safety particularly for pedestrians and cyclists.

Danny Gayle, Engineering Projects Manager (Sustainable Transport) LB Haringey, and Peter Howarth, Borough Engagement Manager [North] for TfL will be in attendance.

iii. 20mph Speed Limits - 7.35pm - 8.00pm

Update on plans for a 20mph speed limit for residential streets and town centres including when this is likely to be rolled out, which town centres will be included and how main roads will be treated.

Danny Gayle, Engineering Projects Manager (Sustainable Transport) LB Haringey will be in attendance.

iv. Bus Accessibility – 8.00pm – 8.30pm

Update on 144/W7 routes using the new first bus stop on Muswell Hill roundabout and possible changes to the 234 route to make this accessible.

Danny Gayle, Engineering Projects Manager (Sustainable Transport) LB Haringey, and Peter Howarth, Borough Engagement Manager [North] for TfL will be in attendance.

There will be a 5 minute interval after the Area Forum business has concluded before the Area Committee commences

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

A member with a disclosable pecuniary interest or a prejudicial interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered:

- (i) must disclose the interest at the start of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, and
- (ii) may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting room.

A member who discloses at a meeting a disclosable pecuniary interest which is not registered in the Register of Members' Interests or the subject of a pending notification must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the disclosure.

Disclosable pecuniary interests, personal interests and prejudicial interests are defined at Paragraphs 5-7 and Appendix A of the Members' Code of Conduct

- 4. DEPUTATIONS, PETITIONS
- 7. MINUTES 17 JULY 2014
- 6. FEEDBACK FROM THE AREA FORUM PROCEEDINGS
- 7. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

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Investing in our tomorrow

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23 October 2014



We have many of the things that make London a great city....



- A vibrant community
- Great parks and open spaces
- Quick transport links

We're proud to play our part but it's been challenging....



- •Spending cuts of over £105m mean changing the way services are delivered
- •Reduced funds for services that include those for:
 - children
 - vulnerable adults
 - older people
 - and housing

We've tried to manage the impact for residents

And we've also made improvements....



- School results are up
- 21 award-winning parks
- Investment in roads and pavements increased
- Financial support to help Tottenham's economy grow
- Help to switch to cheaper gas or electricity
- •£20 Credit Union Account for every child starting secondary school this year
- And we've frozen council tax

But we have to make a further £70million savings...

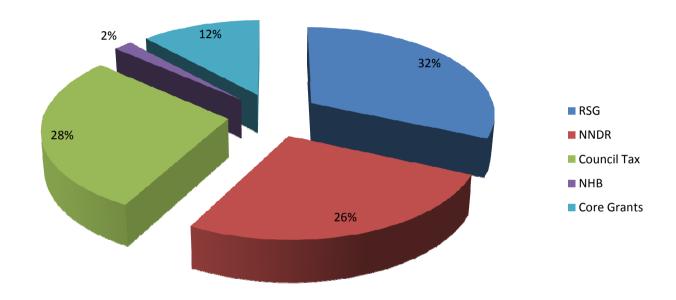


Building firmer foundations for the future will make Haringey a place:

- where children, young people and adults are healthy, thrive and achieve their potential
- where everyone has a good quality of life and feels safe
- that provides sustainable housing, growth and employment –
 building a basis for communities to thrive

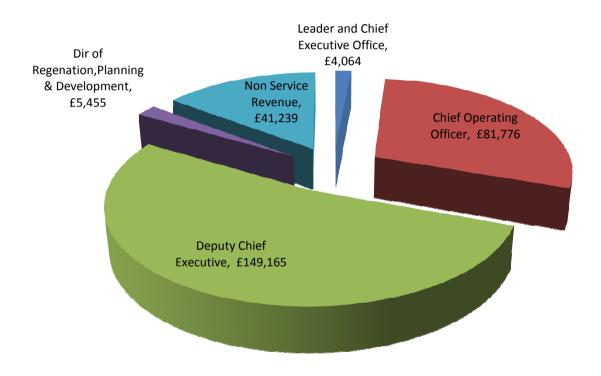
2014/15 Main Funding Sources...





2014/15 Spending (£,000)...





Business Unit Cash Limits 2014/15...

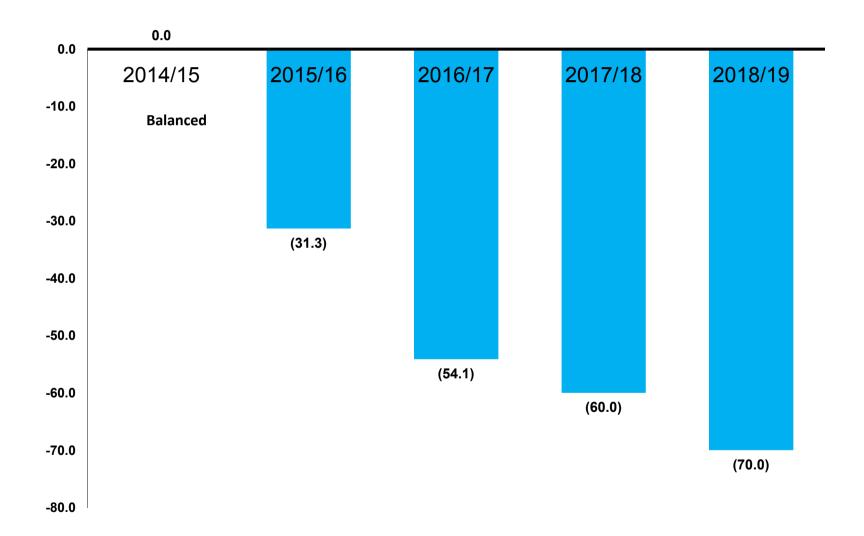


	£000
Chief Executive	2,168
Assistant Dir of Corporate Governance	1,110
Head Of Office	786
Leader and Chief Executive Office	4,064
Chief Operating Officer	802
Assistant Director for Finance	5,670
Assistant Director for Customer Service	9,889
Assistant Director of Human Resources	2,639
Assistant Dir for Env Serv & Com Safety	35,399
Assistant Dir Housing & CE for HfH	16,610
Assistant Dir Corp Prog & Chief Info Off	10,769
Chief Operating Officer	81,776
Assistant Director for Commissioning	20,823
Director Of Children Services	36,035
Director for Adult Social Services	70,880
Director for Public Health	17,592
Assistant Director for Schools&Learning	2,497
Assistant Dir for Communication	1,338
Deputy Chief Executive	149,165
Dir of Regen Planning and Devleopment	322
Assistant Director for Planning	1,670
Assistant Director for Regeneration	1,004
Assistant Director for Corp Prop Proj	196
Programme Director Tottenham	2,262
Dir of Regenation,Planning & Development	5,455
Non Service Revenue	41,239

TOTAL FUNDING REQUIREMENT



Forecast Net Budget Surplus / (Deficit) (£m)...



It's a challenge we can meet, so...



What do you think we should focus on doing to improve Haringey?

Where do you think we should invest the money we will have over the next three years?

What can you do to change and improve where you live?

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Item 1 (ii)

Colney Hatch Lane Junctions

Purpose of Briefing

Background and current position on the Colney Hatch Lane / Alexandra Park Road / Pages Lane junction.

Background

Historically, Pages Lane and Alexandra Park Road junctions with Colney Hatch Lane were T-junctions, and there was a zebra crossing on the south side of Colney Hatch Lane near the junction of Pages Lane. As part of a joint initiative with Transport for London (TfL) to improve the reliability and accessibility of local bus routes, the junctions were signalised in October 2000. Through this project dedicated pedestrian facilities were introduced, where feasible, to improve safety and accessibility for pedestrians. Unfortunately, at the time it was not feasible to incorporate dedicated pedestrian phases for crossing the junctions of Alexandra Park Road and Pages Lane, as modelling of the junction indicated that this would require the junction to operate over capacity and negatively impact on the network.

In 2010 the signals were reviewed as part of TfL's 'Traffic Signal Timing Review' programme. The purpose of the review was to optimise the signal timings to ensure they comply with current standards and to balance the needs of road traffic and pedestrians. Through the review it was possible to update the signal timings to improve efficiency and reduce queuing lengths. However it was not possible to provide all the desired pedestrian improvements due to the existing layout of the junction.

Currently, it is believed that the Junction is working to its full efficiency and that it is unlikely that any further improvements could be made to the existing layout.

The current operation has a number of shortcomings:-

- No dedicated pedestrian facility (green man) phase to cross Alexandra Park Road or Pages Lane.
- Upon turning north from Alexandra Park Road drivers are faced with a second signal at the pedestrian crossing providing the potential for conflict between pedestrians and motorists.
- Perception of safety for pedestrians crossing the junctions, particularly children attending the local schools.
- Excessive queuing during peak periods resulting in rat-running through neighbouring residential roads, particularly Muswell Avenue, to avoid the Alexandra Park Road / Colney Hatch Lane junction.

Residents have long been campaigning for better safety on and around the junction.

At site visits, the residents described the problems faced on a daily basis – including drivers not realising that there is a second red light and driving through, pedestrians not being able to see oncoming traffic, poor phasing of traffic lights, and no 'green man' signalling to guide pedestrians. Campaigners say that these problems pose a safety risk and that they have seen many near misses.

At the Area Forum on 12 March 2014 Cllr Goldberg committed to undertaking modelling at the junction to see if improvements for pedestrians and cyclists can be considered.

Current Action

Consultants were engaged to carry out modelling of the junction. They were asked to undertake the following actions.

- 1. Assess the scope for remodelling Colney Hatch Lane Junctions with Alexandra Park Road and Pages Lane to see what improvements can be made for pedestrians and cyclists.
- 2. Examine the potential for removing signals, and possibly introducing Toucan crossings, Mini roundabouts or any other scenario which promotes both pedestrian and cyclist safety at both junctions whilst maintaining an efficient traffic flow.
- 3. Take into account the aspiration to alleviate the impact of 'rat-running' along Muswell Hill Avenue.

The consultants should prepare a report in light of the above. The report should provide information on traffic impact on buses and non-priority traffic. It is expected the report will include information on junction delays including queue lengths, changes in traffic flows on Colney Hatch Lane and other local roads as appropriate.

Some delays have occurred in undertaking the study due to a need to verify the accuracy of the traffic surveys to guarantee the accuracy of the model being created.

Mott McDonald has confirm that the draft report will be submitted on 13 October.

The findings of the draft report will be presented to the 23rd October Area Forum

A Final report will be completed by the 3 November 2014 and will include recommendations for the best two options available with estimates for the build cost and duration of works. Additionally there will be an overall assessment of the best possible solution.

Next Step

Once an option has been determined there will be a need to identify a mechanism for funding the scheme. With an accident history at the junction this may be possible via the Road Safety Programme. However if the recommendation of the study is for a complete reconfiguration of the junction this could easily require the majority if not all of the 2015/16 allocation. This would mean little or no other road safety work within the rest of the borough during the year. A substantial scheme is likely to take in the order of 12 month to introduce once funding is in place.



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Item 1 (iii)

20mph Speed Limit implementation

Purpose of Briefing

To provide a briefing on 20mph speed limit proposal.

Background

The Cabinet, at its meeting of 18 June 2013, approved borough wide consultation to gauge support amongst residents and businesses for Haringey to become a 20mph borough. A consultation was conducted between 1 August and 31 October 2013, with various engagement methods employed to encourage participation.

The proposal did not include Transport for London Road Network (Red Routes) as these are managed by Transport for London. It did however include all classified roads, which are the distributer routes through the borough under the authority of L.B. Haringey.

The results of the consultation show a clear majority in favour of a borough wide 20mph limit, if it is restricted to residential roads within the borough but excluded roads where a 30mph limit is more appropriate.

Result of the consultation was reported to the Cabinet, at its meeting of 15 July 2014 and approved for the officers to proceed with the introduction of a 20mph limit for all residential roads, roads in the vicinity of schools and in the borough's town centres. The existing speed limit on the remaining main road network would at this stage be retained as at present.

The full report with the responses to consultation can be found on the council web site at www.haringey.gov.uk.

Proposal

The introduction of the 20mph limit would include all residential streets and in town centres in the borough with exception of main roads which at this stage be retained as 30mph. Watermead Way, N17 which is a 40mph and 'red routes' managed by the Transport for London will also be retained as at present.

The excluded roads are shown on the map attached.

Next Step

The scheme will take around 12 months to implement including preliminary design, statutory notification, detailed design and approval, and implementation.

Prior to progressing to the implementation process, a Traffic Management Order (TMO) need to be advertised under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 for which a statutory consultation process will be required to be carried out.

Given the nature and magnitude of this scheme, it will not possible to carry out a consultation with each individual household in the borough. However, it is important to maintain communication with several different bodies to ensure a coordinated and holistic approach and the statutory requirements have been met. Therefore the communication plan will involve a variety of different methods to ensure the council is fully engaging with the community.

Some of methods are:

- Advertise the traffic orders in local news papers and journals in the borough and neighbouring boroughs
- Webcomms to circulate on social media
- Circulate to the National Federation of Haringey Residents Associations (NFHRA)
- Electronic mail out to doctors surgeries and other interest groups (hard copy leaflets will be available on request)
- Circulate to other groups who we work with on projects (e.g. GRA, Highgate Society)
- Inform schools via EDUCOMMS, CYPS
- Article in Haringey People which will include results of our borough-wide research / consultation
- Announcement on the Home page of the website and full details on our dedicated 20mph page
- Create an online form on the web page for comments
- Inform our Equalities contact groups and ask the local strategic partnership (HAVCO) to provide support in terms of distributing information to their contact groups.
- Work with organisations that support 20mph limit to promote the councils' policy.
- Our Smarter Travel team to get involved in behavioural change towards 20mph speed limit in the borough.

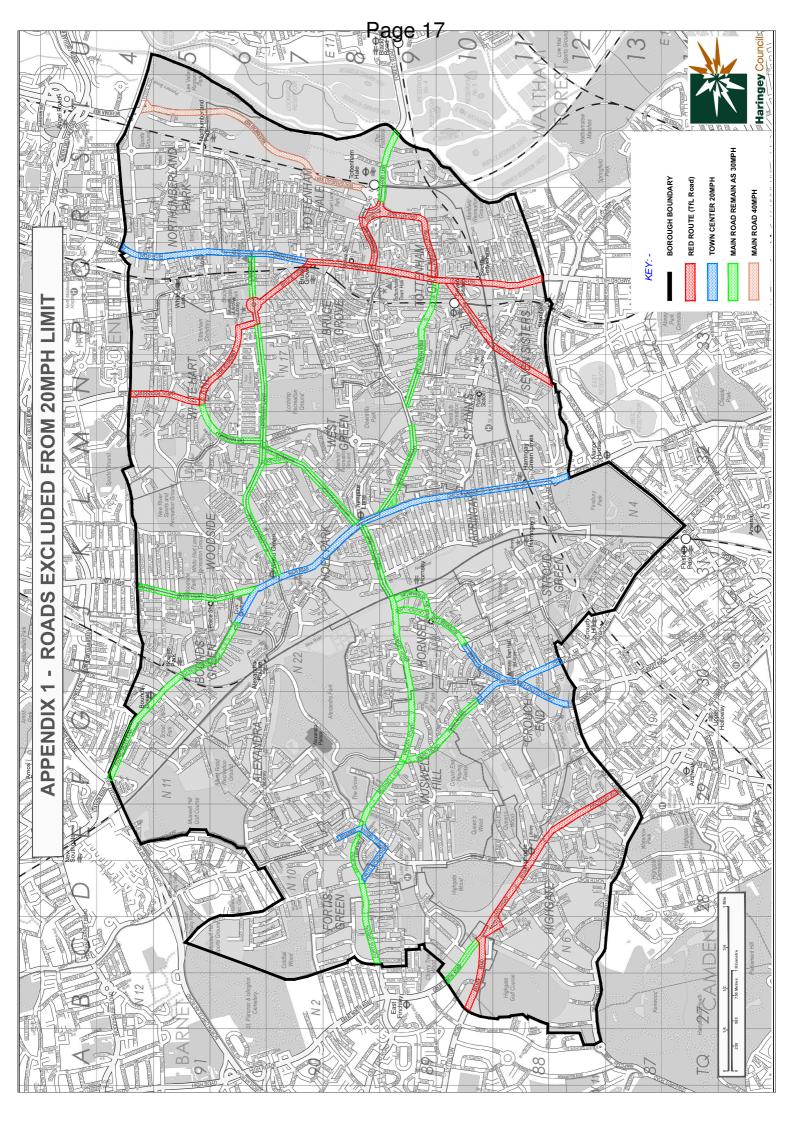
Forward Programme

An initial programme for consultation and implementation process has now been drawn up, subject to approval by the Cabinet Member. A brief overview of this programme is outlined below.

N o	Milestone(s)	Target Date
1.	Preliminary stages	June - Oct 2014
2.	Consultation	14 Nov 2014 – 14 Dec 2014
3.	Report to cabinet	Feb 2015
4.	Finalise Design	Feb - April 2015
5.	Implementation	May - Sept 2015
6.	Go-live	7 Sept 2015

Current Status

- Officers are preparing marketing materials and consultation documents and this is in progress.
- Preliminary Design for signs and post locations also in progress.
- The council has appointed Quality Traffic Survey limited to carry out a speed and volume survey for analysis and benchmarking purpose in July 2014. The survey was conducted in 140 locations throughout the borough, between 15 and 21 September 2014 inclusive for one week. Result of the survey expected by 15 October.
- Tender for inventory street survey has been advertised with a respond date of 13 October 2014.



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Item 1 (iv)

Bus Accessibility

Purpose of Briefing

To provide an update from Transport for London on 144/W7 routes using the new first bus stop on Muswell Hill roundabout plus possible changes to the 234 route to make this accessible

Route 144/W7

Following the success of route W7 serving the stop recently established on the gyratory outside 358 Muswell Hill Broadway, residents have been lobbying the Council and TfL for route 144 buses to also serve the new bus stop on Muswell Hill roundabout.

TfL have confirmed that they will introduce boarding and alighting of the 144 service at the new stop location at some point in December 2014.

No further action is required from LBH regarding this proposed change that will be effected and monitored by TfL in December.

Route 234

Complaints have been received about the limited accessibility of the hail and ride stops for the 234 service between Pages Lane and Coppetts Road.

Following a joint site visit with TfL and ward Councillors 10 possible permanent stop locations have been identified on Pages Lane, Coppetts Road and Trott Road.

TfL has agreed to fund 10 bus stops that are Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) compliant along the route.

Since these initial proposals a further site visit has been conducted with TfL-London Buses Infrastructure and LBH to review the locations. This highlighted 11 proposed permanent stops.

Next Step

Meetings to be held with Barnet Council, TfL-London Buses Infrastructure and LBH to gain approval to install 2 bus stops located in Trott Road, which is under Barnet's jurisdiction.

LBH engineers will then finalise designs and plan to consult with the community in November. Subject to not receiving any substantial objections, implementation of the new bus stops will be programmed for implementation.

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Councillors Beacham, Berryman, Blake, Carter, Connor, Engert, Hare, McShane,

Morris, Newton (Chair), Patterson and Ross

MINUTE		ACTION
NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	BY

MH01.	AREA FORUM ITEMS	
MH02.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	There were no apologies for absence.	
	NOTED	
MH03.	DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS	
	There were no declarations of interests.	
	NOTED	
MH04.	QUESTIONS, DEPUTATIONS OR PETITIONS: TO CONSIDER ANY QUESTIONS, DEPUTATIONS OR PETITIONS RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 4, SECTION B29 OF THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION There were no questions, deputations or petitions.	
	NOTED	
MH05.	MINUTES - 12 MARCH 2014	
	RESOLVED	
	That the Minutes of the meeting of the Muswell Hill, Alexandra, Fortis Green and Highgate Area Committee held on 12 March 2014 be agreed as an accurate record of the proceedings.	
	Matters Arising	
	Parking Cross-overs	
	The Chair reported that he was still awaiting a response in respect of the number of cross-over applications refused, and figures for enforcement action over cross-over infringement in each of the 4 Wards of the Area Forum in the past 3 years.	
	RESOLVED	
	That officers be requested to provide a response in respect of the number of cross-over applications refused, and figures for enforcement action over cross-over infringement in each of the 4 Wards of the Area	

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	Forum in the past 3 years.
MH06.	FEEDBACK FROM AREA FORUM PART OF THE PROCEEDINGS
	(i) Odeon Parade and Piazza Development
	The Committee discussed the feedback from the Forum on the Odeon Parade and Piazza Development.
	The main points raised during the Forum discussion had been:
	Broad support for the development of the Odeon Parade and Piazza Development
	Some concerns in relation to parking at the new development
	Some form of town centre management being identified
	The specific points as raised in the formal resolution below.
	The Committee then briefly discussed and summarised its comments and on a MOTION by the Chair it was:
	RESOLVED
	That following consideration of the Odeon Parade and Piazza Development, the Muswell Hill, Fortis Green, Alexandra and Highgate Area Committee expressed their support for the pedestrian Piazza area and for the Muswell Hill shopping area, and felt that some form of town centre management could be appropriate and request the Cabinet Member for Planning/Cabinet to consider:
	i. Removal of the black Arqiva phone box on Fortis Green Road to the north of the development which obstructs the view when turning in or out of the Odeon car park and also makes it difficult for pedestrians to use the footway, particularly those with mobility difficulties;
	ii. Provision of electric points (during construction of the Piazza paving) to enable lights to be installed in trees in front of the Odeon Parade development;
	iii. Clarification of any proposed town centre management for Muswell Hill including for the public space area around the Odeon development and the

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need to identify which officer will be responsible, for both this and other Town Centre developments.

(ii) Proposed Police location at the Odeon Cinema

The Committee noted the positive views expressed during the Forum as regards to the proposed Police Contact Point at the Odeon Cinema which would be staffed jointly by police and volunteers on Wednesdays and Thursdays between 7-8pm and on Saturday between 2-3pm.

The particular comments expressed were summarised as:

- The effectiveness of being open only three hours per week and the particular times of the operation, and the responses of Inspector Casey that the arrangement would be reviewed after initial operation to assess effectiveness and whether there was a need to increase frequency
- That the times chosen had not been random and that the time chosen had been assessed through previous public attendance that this was the optimum time

A brief discussions by the Committee ensued where the following views were expressed:

- The need to ensure that there was effective publicity for the Contact Point, and the encouragement of volunteers to assist
- Further details of how the Contact Point including the 'private room' for people to speak in confidence would operate

It was then:

RESOLVED

That a letter be sent by the Chair on behalf of the Committee to Inspector Casey once confirmation had been received of the proposed presence at Muswell Hill Odeon by the Met Police and to ascertain issues of management of the location particularly:

 Proposed structure of covering the presence by Police officers and volunteers

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- The services that will be offered
- The mechanisms to be adopted for encouraging volunteers

(iii)St James Primary School Redevelopment

With regard to the schools development proposals the Committee noted the overall support for the development.

There were particular comments in respect of supporting a holistic approach to the St James & Cranwood developments to ensure best use of the sites for both housing and an expanded school.

NOTED

MH07. AREA PLAN UPDATE

The Chair advised the meeting that the Area Plan was an 'issues record' which in the main highlighted highways/parking/planning issues. The Chair advised that it was a 'work in progress' which could be added to and updated throughout the course of the year.

NOTED

MH08. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT

(i) Rubbish Bin Collection issues affecting two areas

Councillors from both Highgate and Fortis Green Wards raised issues pertaining the current bin/refuse collection in Milton Avenue, Milton Road, part of Milton Park and the north side of Northwood Road in Highgate where there are a number of homes in multiple occupation, and the issue of large numbers of bins having to be housed on the pavement, with evident overflowing of bins, and subsequent intolerable smells/stench/pest issues to all occupants, particularly those with basement windows looking out on a line of bins.

Similar concerns were expressed in relation to Queens Avenue in Fortis Green where there are various issues with rubbish due to the large number of homes in multiple occupation.

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Following a brief discussion by the Committee the Chair MOVED and it was:

RESOLVED

That in respect of the extreme concerns expressed by the Committee regarding current bin/refuse collection in Milton Avenue, Milton Road, part of Milton Park and the north side of Northwood Road in Highgate where there are a number of homes in multiple occupation, and the issue of large numbers of bins having to be housed on the pavement, with evident overflowing of bins, and subsequent intolerable smells/stench/pest issues to all occupants of the said homes, particularly those with basement windows looking out on a line of bins, and also in Queens Avenue in Fortis Green where there are various issues with rubbish due to the large number of homes in multiple occupation, the Cabinet Member for Environment/Cabinet be asked to consider:

- i. Review the current household waste collection for Milton Avenue, Milton Road, a small part of Milton Park, and the north side of Northwood Road, and agree to an exception to the two week collection and variation to the contract to allow a one week collection:
- ii. Review the current household waste collection for Queens Avenue and agree to an exception to the two week collection and variation to the contract to allow a one week collection; and
- iii. To meet with the Chair of the Committee and relevant Ward Members at the locations in Highgate and Fortis Green to review these issues.

The meeting ended at 20.45hrs.

COUNCILLOR MARTIN NEWTON

CHAIR

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