

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE ALEXANDRA PARK & PALACE STATUTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE ALEXANDRA PALACE AND PARK CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY, 18TH JUNE, 2019, 8.00 - 9.45 pm

PRESENT: Jason Beazley (Advisory Committee Member), David Frith (Advisory Committee Member), Jim Jenks (Advisory Committee Member), Duncan Neill (Advisory Committee Member), Ken Ranson (Advisory Committee Member), Elizabeth Richardson (Advisory Committee Member), Dermot Barnes (Consultative Committee Member), John Boshier (Consultative Committee Member), Frances Hargrove (Consultative Committee Member), Richard Hudson (Consultative Committee Member), Rachael Macdonald (Consultative Committee Member), Hugh Macpherson (Consultative Committee Member), Jacob O'Callaghan (Consultative Committee Member), Val Paley (Consultative Committee Member), Jonathan Smith (Consultative Committee Member), John Thompson (Consultative Committee Member), John Wilkinson (Consultative Committee Member), Nigel Willmott (Consultative Committee Member), Councillor James Chiriyankandath, Councillor Eldridge Culverwell, Councillor Lucia das Neves (**Chair**), Councillor Scott Emery, Councillor Justin Hinchcliffe, Councillor Yvonne Say, Councillor Nick da Costa and Councillor Elin Weston.

131. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE MEETING

Cllr das Neves agreed to chair the meeting.

132. FILMING AT MEETINGS

Noted.

133. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Moyeed, Cllr Carlin, Cllr Stennett, Cllr Hare, Cllr Williams, Richard Hudson, Jane Hutchinson and Kevin Stanfield.

134. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Hinchcliffe declared that he was a member of Friends of Alexandra Palace and Park.

135. URGENT BUSINESS

None.

136. MINUTES

The following points were noted in discussion:

- The CEO, Louise Stewart, confirmed it had been the intention to have the annual report on outdoor events monitoring framework listed on the agenda but, regrettably, this had not been possible for this meeting due to the workload of Trust staff.
- Regarding the shuttle bus between Alexandra Palace Railway Station and Tottenham Hotspur, the CEO informed the Trust had written to Tottenham highlighting their concerns. The Trust had yet to receive a response from Tottenham but would escalate those concerns ahead of the next football season. The Council had ongoing discussions with Tottenham Hotspur regarding the new stadium and the issue of the shuttle bus would form part of those discussions.
- The Committee praised and thanked the Trust staff for their efforts in securing and hosting 'An Audience with Madonna' on 13th June 2019, which received positive publicity for the Palace.

RESOLVED

1. To approve the minutes of the informal Joint Statutory Advisory and Consultative Committee held on 25th April 2019.
2. To note the minutes of the Statutory Advisory Committee held on 25th April 2019.

137. CEO'S UPDATE REPORT

The CEO introduced the report and invited Member comments. The following was noted:

Governance

The CEO informed that the Governance Project Group had met several times and a briefing note was being prepared for Councillors, which would also be circulated to Members of the SAC/CC. **Post meeting note:** Update circulated to SAC/CC members by email in August.

London Fire Brigade (LFB) presence

The CEO informed that the Trust had been working closely with the LFB to put in place new temporary water supply measures following the corrosion of fire main pipework. In the event of an incident at the Palace and Park, the LFB had confirmed they were satisfied that they would be able to provide an adequate response. A long term solution would be addressed at a later date.

Responding to a question, the CEO informed that the Trust was not expecting a written report from LFB. The Trust keeps its own records. As well as ensuring the safety of staff, visitors and the building the exercise provided the Trust's insurers that the Trust was actively managing and mitigating risks, which would benefit insurance premiums in the long term.

Park Update

In preparation for a likely increase in littering around the park during the upcoming summer months new signage was to be installed around the Palace and Park to discourage littering. The CEO sought Resident Association's to do all they could to discourage residents not to litter or fly tip in the Park.

Regarding the ongoing work to tackle Oak Processionary Moth, Members noted it would be helpful if the Alexandra Palace website had images of what people should be looking out for. **Post meeting note:** leaflet about the moths was circulated to SAC/CC in July.

Responding to a question on litter collections, the CEO informed that the Trust had a limited budget for this and additional litter collections were scheduled for the summer months when litter around the Park increased. Litter collection rotas were changed, depending on the events on site so that certain areas, such as the children's playground or heavily littered areas could be prioritised.

Future use of the deer enclosure had not been decided and the area would remain as it currently was, with the gate closed for the safety of park users while the grass area recovered from deer grazing. Post meeting note – the area is being used for outdoor activities as par of the creative learning programme.

Responding to a question on the potential for fires in the Park, the CEO confirmed that there were regular patrols and that the team were vigilant, particularly during the warmer weather. The CEO noted that local users of the Park had been robust in keeping the Trust informed of any fire outbreaks. Members were encouraged to contact the Trust's security or visitor services team on 020 8365 2121 if they spotted any fires within the Park.

The Trust intends to highlight the leaving of household rubbish by park neighbours by putting hazard tape around it in order to discourage the activity. Local Ward Councillors at the meeting offered assistance by raising awareness on the streets that it was unacceptable to leave household litter in the Park. Resident Associations would also be proactive in highlighting the issue at their local meetings.

East Wing and Theatre

The CEO noted the diversity of performances in the theatre, which included Liam Gallagher and Madonna.

Regarding the purchasing of tickets, the CEO informed that this was being looked into but any solution was likely to be digital as it was not viable to operate a full service box office on site given the cost involved.

Heritage Significance Appraisal

The CEO informed that a public consultation on the Heritage Significance Appraisal was planned to start from late June. Views would be sought from stakeholders and Members of the SAC/CC were invited to submit comments on the public consultation. Following the consultation conclusion, Members of the SAC/CC would further be consulted on its results. The CEO confirmed the Conservation Officer of Haringey Council would also be involved in the process.

In response as to whether the Board had considered the Appraisal document, the CEO confirmed it had not and that the document was still in the process of being finalised. Once finalised, the Appraisal would be released for public consultation. The Appraisal would be released online but the CEO confirmed that copies would be made available at the Palace, upon request. The consultation period would likely be extended which the Chair agreed was appropriate, given it was taking place over the summer holidays.

An update would be provided to the Committee on the public consultation at the next meeting on 24th September (**Action: Louise Stewart/ Natalie Layton**).

Creative Learning

The CEO confirmed that work on the creativity pavilion would be underway by July and was expected to be completed by the end of 2019.

Responding to a Member request, the CEO confirmed that the 'Creative Learning' section of the report could have a table of events included at the next meeting (**Action: Natalie Layton**).

Events and Noise Management

The CEO highlighted that Alexandra Palace Way would be closed from 10am on 5th July until 5am on 8th July in preparation for Red Bull on 7th July.

Regarding the resilience forum, the CEO informed that the Council used to run this group which saw different event organisers collaborate on joining up planning preparations for major events and incidents across the borough. Following the re-opening of the refurbished White Hart Lane Stadium, it was decided the forum was to be recreated with new terms of reference, yet to be drafted.

Responding to an enquiry on the open house tour of Alexandra Palace, the CEO confirmed this would be taking place. Post meeting note – Alexandra Palace is not taking part in Open House this year due to programming clashes.

Beer Garden

The CEO noted the Beer Garden had received positive customer feedback. There had been no damage to any of the property or noise complaints received.

Responding to a question on the completeness of the Beer Garden features, the CEO informed that work was still taking place such as treatment of the roof.

Regarding a question on the possibility of the Phoenix Bar providing products from local breweries, the CEO confirmed that there is a contract in place for the provision of drinks at the Palace to ensure that the demand and volume required could be met..

Regarding Appendix 1, the CEO confirmed that the locations for events from 17th August 2019 would be listed in the minutes. They are as follows:

17 th August	The Grete Fete	Park
25 th August	Kaleidoscope Presents Event	Pavilion Car Park
23 – 28 th August	The Monster	Great Hall
1 st September	Antiques Show	Great Hall
6 – 7 th September	Live Music Event (TBC)	Great Hall & West Hall
13 – 14 th September	Park Event	<i>Was provisional, no longer going ahead</i>
15 th September	Music Event (TBC)	Great Hall & West Hall
26 th September	Music Event (TBC)	Great Hall & West Hall
26 – 29 th September	Table Top Gaming	Great Hall and West Hall

RESOLVED

To note the contents of this report.

138. HARINGEY WARD BOUNDARIES

The CEO introduced this report, which sought the Joint SAC/CC's comments on the public consultation relating to Ward Boundaries and the potential impact this might have on the SAC membership. One of the proposed changes meant that Alexandra Ward would be merged with Fortis Green to form Muswell Hill North.

The following was raised:

- The reduction in Ward Boundaries from 6 to 5 did not affect the area coverage.
- Members were invited to comment on the public consultation if they had any concerns they wished to raise.
- Members noted that some wards, such as Stroud Green and Alexandra, had raised concern over the proposed changes to the Ward Boundaries.

- The CEO informed that as the Trust was a local organisation, it had a right to contribute its views on the proposed changes. However, the Trust had yet to consider its position and whether to put forward a view.
- If the Trust Board were to decide its position before the next meeting of the Joint SAC/CC, it was suggested that this be circulated with Members beforehand for them to consider their response.

RESOLVED

To consider the proposed changes to the Haringey Ward Boundaries and the impact that they may have for the Park and Palace and put forward issues or concerns to the Trust.

139. NON-VOTING BOARD MEMBERS FEEDBACK

The non-voting Board Members highlighted that a discussion had been had on the overall business performance of the Palace and Park. This had shown a positive performance but competition for events meant there was no room for complacency. The opening of the theatre had not only improved the business aspects of the Palace but improved its reputation. The Board had praised the Trust team for their work.

140. ITEMS RAISED BY INTERESTED GROUPS

None.

141. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

N/A.

142. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Tuesday 24th September 2019
 Tuesday 10th December 2019
 Tuesday 25th February 2020

CHAIR:

Signed by Chair

Date