

**MINUTES OF THE WEST GREEN AND BRUCE GROVE AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE
MONDAY, 23 APRIL 2012**

Councillors Dogus, Ejiofor (Chair), Griffith, Khan, Mallett and McNamara

Apologies None

Also Present: Bernie Ryan, Ayshe Simsek

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
WGBG 29	APOLOGIES(IF ANY) No apologies for absence were received.	
WGBG 30	URGENT BUSINESS No items of urgent business were put forward.	
WGBG 31	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS There were no declarations of interest.	
WGBG 32	MINUTES The minutes of the Area Committee for the meeting held on the 31 January 2012 were agreed.	
WGBG 33	AREA PLAN A local area plan for the West Green and Bruce Grove had now been completed and had the aim of guiding future council activities, local budgets and planning decisions in the West Green and Bruce Grove area. It was described as a “living” document as it would continue to be shaped in response to local conditions and residents concerns. The actions in the plan would be funded from existing resources being re-prioritised or targeted as necessary. The draft plan contained a set of aspirations for the West Green and Bruce Grove area which had been informed by examining service data and from discussions at a public workshop with residents, councillors and representatives of community groups held in January.	

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	<p>The chosen aspirations for the area were set out in alphabetical order and the plan now contained the actions assigned to the council/ partner organisations that would need to take place in the 2012/13 to help achieve the aspirations for the area.</p> <p>Comment was made on the inclusion of activity to increase the use of the Bernie Grant Art Centre and if this was on the correct area plan as it was situated in Tottenham Green ward. The committee noted that the reason for including this activity emanated from discussion at the consultation event where local residents had highlighted the need to increase use of the centre as it would be of benefit to the Tottenham area. It was also highlighted as important to the West Green and Bruce Grove area for the cultural services it provided to the community.</p> <p>Geographical areas where anti social behaviour was to be tackled was listed and query was made on the need to include this information in a public document as it gave away intelligence about future police activities.</p> <p>The activity relating to enforcement in the area needed to be reiterated in the document as a priority. A committee member reported that the suggestion for local community groups to be trained on how to navigate planning and licensing procedures, heard in the forum part of the meeting, would be discussed with the responsible Cabinet Member. This training should make local community groups more aware of which part of the process they need to be making objections at and what type of information they need to include to have an impact on the final licensing and planning decisions being made by the council. It was agreed that this could be added as an action to the area plan under a new additional heading named “community capacity building”.</p> <p>The strategy behind the assignment of actions to each aspiration was questioned. It was highlighted that some activities were specific to West Green and Bruce Grove and others were borough wide actions such as breast feeding support. It was suggested that the plan could distinguish, under two separate headings, those actions which were specific to the ward and those which were borough wide activities.</p> <p>The committee discussed the area behind Turnpike Lane station which had over the years not had a fixed purpose for its use, consequently attracting antisocial behaviour. In the past a plan had been developed between the council and the West Green Resident’s Association aimed at designing out crime in this area. This had been compiled at a time when TFL were investing in areas near underground stations. It was agreed that the improvement to the land behind Turnpike Lane station be added to the area plan and that the Area Liaison officer locate the previous plan compiled by the residents association with the Council.</p> <p>Concern was raised about the junction between West Green Road,</p>	<p>CK/ZS</p> <p>CK/ZS</p> <p>CK/ZS</p> <p>Ho Legal/ CK/CJ</p>
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	<p>Langham Road and Westbury Avenue where there were regular incidents of regular anti social behaviour reported to local councillors There was a need to investigate this and take enforcement action.</p> <p>There was also a suggestion to look at improving the entrance area to Bruce Grove over ground station at Moorefield road and deterring anti social behaviour here. Given the regeneration activities planned for Tottenham high road, a member of the committee asked whether there was an opportunity to design out this behaviour with improvements to the front of the station.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. That the issues raised by members of the committee be incorporated into the final plan. ii. That the activities which can be commenced to achieve the aspirations of the plan proceed immediately. iii. That a revised plan be considered by the committee in June. 	<p>CK</p> <p>CK</p> <p>CK/ZS</p> <p>CK/ZS</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>WGBG 34</p>	<p>THE CHAIR'S RESPONSE TO ITEMS PUT FORWARD TO THE AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE MEETING</p> <p>Suggestions for topics for the forum part of the meeting were sought from local residents, to enable the agenda to be driven as far as possible by local people. 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. There were two recommendations for the committee to consider, these were: investigating whether there was potential for improvements to Higham road could be included in work programme of the sustainable transport team for 2012/13 and to receive an update on the actions to address health and safety issues at the junction between Bruce Grove and Tottenham High Road.</p> <p>There was no overall agreement to the recommendations as Members of the committee required a further opportunity to consider the details of the report. There would be further consultation with ward councillors on these matters before the next meeting and consideration given to reporting back on these issues.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>WGBG 35</p>	<p>TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The date of the next meeting was the 21 June 2012 6.30pm. This date was still provisional and subject to member agreement at full Council.</p>	<p>All to note</p>
<p>WGBG 36</p>	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE</p>	

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	None	
WGBG 37	EXEMPT BUSINESS None	
WGBG 38	NEW EXEMPT ITEMS OF BUSINESS None	

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