

**MINUTES OF THE TOTTENHAM HALE AND SEVEN SISTERS AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, 25 APRIL 2012**

Present: Councillor Isidoros Diakides (Chair), Councillor Lorna Reith, Councillor Reg Rice, Councillor Bernice Vanier and Councillor Richard Watson

In Attendance: Kevin Bartle, Claire Kowalska, Xanthe Barker.

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTON BY
OBCB30.	<p>APOLOGIES</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Joe Goldberg and Councillor Claire Kober.</p>	
OBCB31.	<p>URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>There were no items of Urgent Business.</p>	
OBCB32.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest made.</p>	
OBCB33.	<p>MINUTES</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2012 be confirmed as a correct record.</p>	HLDMS
OBCB34.	<p>AREA COMMITTEE PLAN UPDATE</p> <p>A report that sought approval of the draft Area Plan for 2012/13 and that set out responses from service areas was received by the Committee.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the draft Area Plan and the following points were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The 'Year One Activities' identified were too specific and more generic priorities, which could be applied to the whole area rather than individuals streets, should be used. Tackling drug dealing in West Green Road/Grave Park Road was highlighted as an example of this. ➤ It was requested that officers reviewed the notes taken from the consultation session with residents of Tottenham Hale Ward with a view to better reflecting the needs of this area within the plan. ➤ It was questioned whether the priority identified with respect to Laurence Road and creating space for artists represented the views of the majority of residents. 	<p>Claire Kowalska</p> <p>Claire Kowalska</p>

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- It was noted that the Community Buildings Review would inform the approach that the Council took to the letting of its buildings and that this should not be pre-empted by priorities identified in the Area Plan in case they contradicted one another.
- It was apparent from the document that the views of Residents Associations had not been consistently reflected in the document and there was agreement that a mechanism to ensure that these were given equal weight was required.
- Officers should ensure that the activities contained within the document did not contradict existing strategies or the emerging Tottenham Regeneration Strategy.
- The aspiration around 'Health Care' should be revised and focussed more on 'Health and Wellbeing' and there should not be specific reference made to St Ann's. This should also be cross referenced with the Tottenham Regeneration Strategy and Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
- Whilst it was important to support Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) this had to be balanced against the need to attract larger retailers and employers into the area. It was noted that this the plan did not reflect aspiration.
- It was contended that the long term benefit of the priorities set out in the plan were not clear enough and that these should be articulated more clearly.

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As a general point it was noted that although the Area Plan should take on board the views expressed at the consultation sessions carried out with residents from each Ward it should not be drafted solely on the basis of the views expressed at these.

There was agreement that Councillors would look at the Area Plan in more detail outside the meeting and return their comments to Claire Kowalska by Friday 4 May.

All to note

RESOLVED:

- i. That, as set out above, members of the Committee would advise Claire Kowalska, Community Safety Manager of their comments regarding the Area Plan by 8 May.
- ii. That the finalised Area Plan 2012/13 would be formally adopted by the Committee at the next meeting.

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OBCB35. REGENERATION OF TOTTENHAM UPDATE

The Committee received a report that provided an overview of the

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	<p>regeneration work that was being undertaken in the Tottenham area.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the report be noted.</p>	
OBCB36.	<p>NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>There were no new items of Urgent Business.</p>	
OBCB37.	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>There were not items of AOB.</p>	
OBCB38.	<p>FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS</p> <p>The Committee discussed agenda planning and concern was expressed that too many items had been included within the Area Forum part of the meeting and that there had been insufficient time to discuss each of these.</p> <p>It was suggested that future Area Forums should be limited to two or three items and the members of the public should be directed to stalls or the appropriate officer for further information.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That future agenda items would be discussed further outside the meeting.</p>	
OBCB39.	<p>PROPOSED DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the draft dates of future meetings, set out below, be noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 6.30pm, 3 July 2012 ➤ 6.30pm, 25 September 2012 ➤ 6.30pm, 15 January 2013 ➤ 6.30pm, 25 April 2013 	All to note

The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

COUNCILLOR LORNA REITH

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