

Report for:	Cabinet 18th Dec 2012	Item Number:
Title:	Designation of Highgate Ne Area	ighbourhood Forum and Neighbourhood
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Ward(s) affected	l: Highgate and Crouch End	Report for Key/Non Key Decisions: Key Decision

### 1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 The report considers the designation of the cross borough Highgate neighbourhood area and neighbourhood forum under the provision of the Localism Act 2011.
- 1.2 The reports sets out the content of the applications submitted to Camden and Haringey Councils and summarises the responses to the consultation on those applications.
- 1.3 The applications show the area in which the group intends to use the new neighbourhood planning powers; and the proposed forum who intend to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan arising from the Localism Act and the supporting Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

### 2. Cabinet Member introduction

2.1 This is the first application submitted to Haringey under the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations, 2012. As a cross borough application it has allowed an opportunity for partnership working between Haringey and Camden. Officers have been working well together and will continue to work closely throughout the process.



2.2 Legislation requires local authorities to consider applications for proposed neighbourhood areas and neighbourhood forums, and formally designate, or refuse to designate, the area and forum. This paper sets out the considerations by which the Council can make a decision to designate or refuse the proposed Highgate neighbourhood area and neighbourhood forum.

### 3. Recommendations

### 3.1 It is recommended that:

- Cabinet note and agree the responses to the consultation on the applications for the Highgate neighbourhood area and neighbourhood forum, as set out in Appendix A (Subject to similar determinations by the London Borough of Camden in respect of that part of the neighbourhood area and forum within Camden).
- 2. Cabinet agree that pursuant to Section 61G and 61I of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to designate the Highgate neighbourhood area, as set out in Appendices B and C.
- 3. Cabinet agree that pursuant to section 61F of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to designate the Highgate neighbourhood forum, as set out in the Appendices D and E.

### 4. Alternative options considered

4.1 No alternative options. This legislation is now in force and local authorities are required to facilitate the process.

### 5. Background information

- 5.1 Neighbourhood Planning was introduced by the Localism Act 2011 which amended current planning legislation by adding new sections and schedules. These came into force on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2012. Regulations have also been made which specify the procedures which must be undertaken when implementing the new arrangements.
- 5.2 This change in the planning system allows communities to influence the development and growth of their local area through the production of a neighbourhood development plan, a neighbourhood development order or a community right to build order.
- 5.3 In Haringey, neighbourhood planning will be taken forward by 'neighbourhood forums' that will designate a 'neighbourhood area' for which to focus their proposals.



5.4 The Highgate group are the first community group in Haringey to make use of the new legislation.

### Summary of the Applications

- 5.5 In line with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 the Highgate group submitted two separate applications to Camden and Haringey Councils on the 7th August 2012; one for the proposed neighbourhood area and one for the proposed neighbourhood forum.
- 5.6 Under Regulation 5, relating to the **designation of a neighbourhood Area**, the group submitted the following relevant information;
  - A map identifying the proposed neighbourhood area (Appendix B)
  - Application for Highgate neighbourhood area (Appendix C)
  - Statement that the organisation is a relevant body (Appendix D)
- 5.7 The group identified the proposed neighbourhood area by starting with the N6 post code and modified it through discussions with neighbouring communities. These discussions have been ongoing to ensure agreement on the boundary with local residents and businesses.
- 5.8 Camden and Haringey Councils are satisfied that the application submitted for designation of a neighbourhood area meet the requirements set out in Regulation 5 and section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- 5.9 Under Regulation 8, relating to the **designation of a neighbourhood forum**, the group submitted the following information;
  - Application for Highgate neighbourhood forum (Appendix D)
  - Written constitution of the proposed neighbourhood forum (Appendix E)
- 5.10 Camden and Haringey Councils are satisfied that the application submitted for designation of a neighbourhood forum meet the requirements set out in Regulation 8 and section 61F(5) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- 5.11 The proposed Highgate neighbourhood forum has 150 individual members and a committee of 21 people, including six Councillors from the relevant Camden and Haringey wards. The Haringey Councillors involved are Councillors Allison, Hare and Williams.
- 5.12 The neighbourhood forum application states that the committee engaged its members through leaflets delivered across the area, forum questionnaires, a dedicated web site and mentions on other websites and in the press. The Committee endeavours to reach all sectors of the community from across all geographical areas. This is an ongoing process and they will continue to engage



with as many individuals, businesses and residents associations as possible through a variety of ways.

5.13 The group has so far engaged with various sub groups in the area including schools, residential and care homes, businesses and disabled people.

Consultation on the applications for the proposed Highgate neighbourhood area and neighbourhood forum

- 5.14 The Councils carried out a joint consultation on both applications to avoid consultation fatigue and expense. Under Regulations 6 & 9 (Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012) the Councils were required to publicise the applications to those who live or work in the area to which the applications refer.
- 5.15 The consultation took place between the 20th September and the 2nd November 2012.
- 5.16 All Haringey Members were notified of the submitted applications and the consultation.
- 5.17 The consultation was publicised through advertisements in the Ham and High and the Muswell Hill and Crouch End Journal; site notices around the proposed area; web site updates and; email and postal mail out.
- 5.18 A total of 32 responses to the consultation of the applications were received. The summary of these representations and the Council's response are set out in Appendix A. The majority of the representations express support for the designation of the neighbourhood area and the establishment of the neighbourhood forum. Two objections were received in relation to neighbourhood area boundary; one from a residents' association and one from an individual both representing Haringey residents.
- 5.19 These representations object to their streets, Stanhope Gardens, Claremont Road and Maybury Mews, being included in the boundary of the proposed neighbourhood area. The main points raised include the following:
  - The residents feel that they do not identify with Highgate village and area and are more inclined to visit and be involved with Crouch End town centre and area.
  - They feel that they would prefer to be part of the Crouch End neighbourhood area if one was proposed in the future.
  - They feel they were not consulted sufficiently by the Highgate neighbourhood forum committee.
- 5.20 The Council can only refuse a neighbourhood area application based on planning grounds and in this case we do not see these areas as separate in planning terms. For example, the streets concerned and the rest of the proposed area are in the Highgate Conservation Area. In addition, although the objectors express clearly the



reasons as to why they identify with the Crouch End area rather than the Highgate area, we are concerned that this may not necessarily be the view of every resident on the streets in question. Indeed, some individuals from the streets concerned have expressed their support for the proposed neighbourhood area.

- 5.21 The Localism Act, under 61(G)(6) states that modifications to designated areas can be made, which means that the inclusion of certain streets in the Highgate neighbourhood area does not prevent them from being included in a possible future neighbourhood area. If a proposal for a Crouch End neighbourhood area, for example, included some streets which were included in the designated Highgate neighbourhood area, then the Highgate neighbourhood area boundary would be reviewed and amended, if deemed suitable and appropriate. Neighbourhood areas cannot overlap.
- 5.22 In relation to the consultation processes carried out by the proposed Highgate group, Camden and Haringey Councils are satisfied that the requirements, as set out in the regulations, have been met.
- 5.23 The objectors have been notified explaining the Council's position in relation to their objections.

### Cross borough working

- 5.24 Officers from Camden and Haringey have been working closely on managing this process, and will continue to do so to ensure consistency in advice to the forum and regulations are met throughout the process.
- 5.25 Camden and Haringey officers met with members from the Highgate neighbourhood forum committee on 14th August 2012 to discuss the submitted applications and the next steps of the process.
- 5.26 Camden will report to their Lead Member recommending agreement to designate the neighbourhood area and neighbourhood forum on the 17th December 2012.

### **Next Steps**

- 5.27 If designated, the neighbourhood forum will develop the proposed neighbourhood plan to pre-submission stage, and will consult on the proposals with the wider community and other key stakeholders.
- 5.28 The final neighbourhood plan and accompanying material will be submitted to Haringey and Camden.
- 5.29 The Councils will then publicise the submitted plan for six weeks.
- 5.30 The neighbourhood plan will be assessed by an independent examiner using the relevant tests of soundness.



- 5.31 The Councils will use the examiner's report to assess the neighbourhood plan and to approve or reject the proposal. This decision will then be publicised to stakeholders and all relevant information will be made available.
- 5.32 A referendum on the proposed plan will be held and all of those registered to vote in the neighbourhood area will be entitled to vote. A majority of votes in favour of the proposal is needed for the plan to be accepted.
- 5.33 If there is a majority vote in favour of the plan, the Councils will then adopt the plan and publish all relevant information.
- 5.34 The adopted plan will become part of Haringey's Local Plan and will complement, though not repeat or replace, local, regional and national plans.

### 6. Comments of the Chief Finance Officer and financial implications

6.1 The work on processing this application has been met within existing budgets. However as this is a new area of work created due to the Localism Act, it is likely that existing resources will be unable to deal with ongoing applications and work related to examination of Neighbourhood Plans and associated consultation and referendum prior to potential adoption. For this reason a growth bid for additional resources has been made as part of the 2013-14 budget process.

### 7. Head of Legal Services and legal implications

- 7.1 The provisions under which these applications were made and are being determined were introduced by the Localism Act 2011 as amendments to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and together with the attendant Regulations came into effect on 6 April 2012.
- 7.2 Determination of applications made under these provisions is an executive function and must be made by Cabinet.
- 7.3 The law provides that where a neighbourhood area and a neighbourhood forum fall within the areas of two or more local authorities the powers to designate are exercisable by those authorities. In this case it is essential that the decisions made by Haringey and Camden are similar in order to give full effect to these proposals. Consequently any decisions made upon these applications should be subject to similar decisions being made by Camden. If the authorities are minded to make different decisions, the applications should be remitted for further consideration.

### 8. Equalities and Community Cohesion Comments

8.1 When submitting a proposed neighbourhood plan the Highgate neighbourhood forum will be required to demonstrate how they consulted those who may be affected by the proposed plan.



### 9. Head of Procurement Comments NA

### 10. Policy Implication

- 10.1 As part of the Localism Act 2011, Neighbourhood Planning will result in additional planning policies to be incorporated in the Local Plan. If adopted, Neighbourhood Plans will be used to determine planning applications along with other relevant policies.
- 10.2 The Planning Policy team will continue to advise the Highgate neighbourhood forum when developing their proposed Plan to ensure that it brings forward robust policies which complement national, regional and local policies.

### 11. Reasons for Decision

11.1 In line with the Localism Act 2011 and the supporting Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, local authorities are required to facilitate the neighbourhood planning procedures.

### 12.Use of Appendices

Appendix A: Summary of responses to consultation Appendix B: Proposed Highgate neighbourhood area Appendix C: Application for Highgate neighbourhood area Appendix D: Application for Highgate neighbourhood forum Appendix E: Highgate neighbourhood forum Constitution 2012

### 13.Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 NA



Appendix A – Summary of Consultation Reponses to Highgate Neighbourhood Area and Neighbourhood Forum Applications

		ACTION		No action	No action	No action	No cotion	No action	No action		No action	No action
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Aame Serald Walker Sail Waldham Sail Waldham Jusan Rose Jorman Bemard nglish Heritage			Fully supports the plan that Highgate be awarded Neighbourhood status. It is a defined geography which straddles more than one borough and this is	unhelpful given the neighbourhoods desire to be regarded as a unity.	Strongly supports the setting up of this Neighbourhood Forum	Supports the application to set up a Highgate Neighbourhood Forum	Register support for the establishment of the said Forum	Highgate CAAC fully supports this initiative	Supports the application	English Heritage supports Neighbourhood Planning as part of local management of the historic environment. For clarity, and in response to paragraph 5 of the 2012 Neighbourhood Planning Regulations we would encourage the Forum to briefly state the reasons for this inclusion, for example, in paragraph 5 or paragraph 7, of the	application. Supports the application by the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum for designation, both in	person and on benait of the Fitzroy Park Residents' Association.
	Name	Responsee arbinities		Gerald Walker	Katharine Ridler	Gail Waldham	David Benson	Susan Rose	Norman Bemard	: - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	English Heritage	Harley Atkinson

	Name	Response	Council's Response	Action
		Friends of Waterlow Park is a voluntary body concerned to promote the wellbeing of the park and to represent park users and lovers. The committee discussed this initiative on several occasion and there was a clear majority in support of the proposal to include Waterlow Park in the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum. We recognise that park lovers and users come from wider parts of north London than the N6 area but we also recognise that the Park historically has been part of the wider Highgate area and if there are to be these Forums it has to sit somewhere. So we endorse the suggestions set out in the HNF application about the boundaries of the Forum being set to include Waterlow Park. However we would wish to continue to work closely with all those interested in the Park and expect to do this both across all the three local authority areas which abut the park as well as any Neighbourhood Forum around the park which might		
10	Ceridwen Roberts	be designated as such.	Support noted	No action
Ξ	John Kennedy	Supports the initiative setting up a neighbourhood forum for Highgate	Support noted	No action
12	Environment Agency	We have no issues to raise regarding the formation of the forum and setting the boundary of their neighbourhood area. We would however recommend both yourselves and the new forum are aware of the recommendations in the Surface Water Management Plans for both Camden and Haringey in the creation of any Neighbourhood Plans.	Noted	No action

	Name	Response	Council's Response	Action
		The Neighbourhood Forum should be aware of the		
		presence of designated sites within their proposed		
		area, especially Hampstead Heath Site of Special		
		Scientific Interest (SSSI), which is also designated as		•
		a Local Nature Reserve, as is Queen's Wood.		
		The Neighbourhood Forum should ensure it has		
		sufficient information to fully understand the impact		
		of any proposals on these sites, where appropriate,		
	na.	and the importance of this in relation to development		
		opportunities or proposals. Contact with the		
33	13 Natural England	Borough Ecologist is recommended.	Noted	No action
		We have reviewed the consultations and do not have		
14	Highways agency	any comment at this time.	Noted	No action
		I wish to register my warm support for this initiative		
15	Mr F W Crawley	and hope that the application will succeed.	Support noted	No action
		Writing to express my strong support for the current		
		application. I strongly agree with the proposed		
		boundaries as it is clear, from the public meetings		
		held, that residents in all those areas, including on		
•		the fringes, consider themselves a part of Highgate		
16	16 Michael Hammerson	and wish to be included in the Forum area.	Support noted	No action

	Name	Response	Councille Besnonse	Action
	Responses aubmitted			
		I wholeheartedly support the establishment of this		
17	Louise Lewis	Neighbourhood forum	Support noted	No action
		I am writing to express that residents of Milton		
		Avenue and the surrounding area are very eager to		
		be included in the proposed Highgate		
		Neighbourhood Forum and Neighbourhood Area.		
		We feel it is important that this area is included in		
		the boundaries for the Highgate Neighbourhood		
		Forum and Neighbourhood Area as this is often a		
		forgotten and neglected area of the ward. I do hope		
		that this does not become an exclusive Forum for		
		Highgate 'Village' only, as they already have the		
		Highgate Society, and this kind of project should be		**********
		inclusive of the whole neighbourhood. Residents in		
		the Milton's area (Milton Avenue, Milton Park, Milton		
		Road, Hornsey Lane Gardens, Langdon Park Road		
		and Northwood Road) are currently in the process of		
		establishing a Residents Association and would		
		welcome the opportunity to feed into the Forum if it		
18	Christopher Riley	goes ahead.	Support noted	No action
		I live in the Miltons and am very keen that we should		
		be part of the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum. All		
		too often the distinction between Village and the		
		other side of Archway is made and it really should		
		not be. I would hope and expect that our inclusion in		
		the forum would allow a more cohesive approach to		
		Highgate. Having spoken to a number of residents		
(	-	about this I can assure you that those living and		:
5	JIII Gavaghan	working in the area are keen to be part of the Forum.	Support noted	No action

	Name	Response	Council's Response	Action
20	GLA	At this stage I can confirm that the GLA has no specific comments to make. I would be grateful, however, if you could keep us informed of the development of the Neighbourhood Forum, and ensure the GLA is consulted on any subsequent draft Neighbourhood Plan.	Noted.	No action
	O N	It is very helpful from our point of view to be kept informed of the different stages in Neighbourhood Plan production process as this will help us plan future workloads, although it is recognised that the Planning Inspectorate may not be the examining body of choice ultimately. In particular it would be helpful to know whether PINS is likely to be approached with a view to conducting the examinations either through a tendering process or by direct appointment, together with an indication of		
22		Highgate CAAC of which I am chair fully supports this initiative and is an affiliated organisation	Noted.	No action
23		I write to say that the Kingsley Place and Somerset Gardens Residents Association (KPRA) supports the application by a Highgate community group to be formally designated as the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum under the terms of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012. We also support the proposed boundary of the neighbourhood area as shown in the application documents.	Support noted	No action
24		The HA will be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN. We have reviewed the consultations and do not have any comment at this time.	Noted	No action

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	Hornsey CAAC confirms it has been consulted on the matter and agrees with the areas abutting on the historic ward boundary line which is that set out on		
Hornsey CAAC	the Plan of the proposed area.	Support noted	No action
	I am writing to express my support for the		
	designation of Highgate Neighbourhood Forum as a		
	a new body which can articulate the needs of		
	Highgate across borough boundaries. I have had		
	personal contact with Highgate Neighbourhood		
	Forum and read the documents in its submission		
	and I feel that it is being set up and run in a diligent,	,	
Stephen Engelhard	thoughtful and inclusive way.	Support noted	No action
	As a Highgate resident, I simply wanted to let you		
	know that I fully support the plan that Highgate be		
	awarded Neighbourhood status. It is a defined		
	geography which straddles more than one borough		
	and this is unhelpful given the neighbourhood's		
Gerald Walker	desire to be regarded as a unity.	Support noted	No action
Jacquie Richardson	am in favour of the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum	Support noted	No action
	I'm in favour of Stanhope Gardens being included in		
	the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum. It seems		
	logical to me, for many reasons. We have an N6		
	postcode, we are in the Highgate Conservation area,		
Rosalind Stewart	and the Highgate Station Outer CPZ.	Support noted	No action

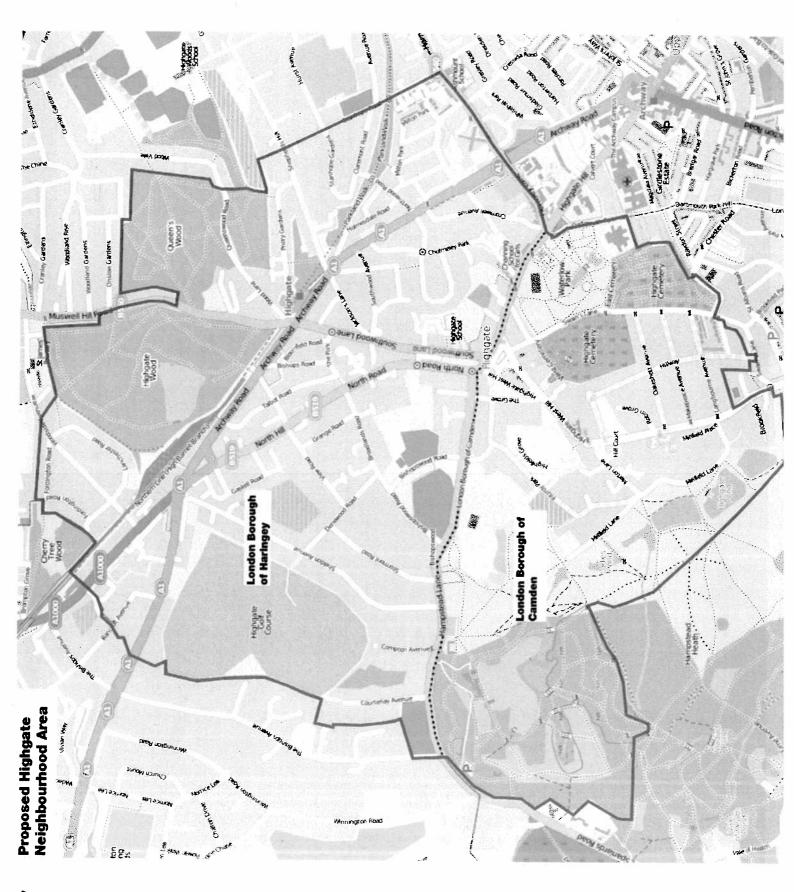
	Name	Besponse	Council's Response	Action
		of the proposal to set up the		
		Forum. We believe it will help planning policy and		
		related issues to better reflect the views of local		
		people in Highgate and the immediately surrounding		******
		areas.		
<del>.,</del>		We do not recall being consulted specifically on this		
		particular issue. It is a sensitive one since the		
		majority of the Wood lies in the Muswell Hill ward		
		and could be seen as more of a Muswell Hill amenity		
		than a Highgate one. That said we recognise that		*****
		there is no proposal at present to set up a Muswell		
		Hill Neighbourhood Forum in parallel with that of		
		Highgate. As long as this is the case we would see		
**********		advantage in the Wood being within the proposed		
		boundaries of the Highgate Area. We also note that		
		the intention is to include Highgate Wood within the		
		proposed Area and it would seem sensible to treat		
		the two Woods in the same way. On the basis of		
		these considerations we would be prepared to go	In line with the Localism Act, under	
		along with the proposed boundaries. Were	61(G)(6), modifications to designated	
		circumstances to change, however, and there was	areas can be made. THis means if a	
	-	an application to set up a Muswell Hill Forum or the	Muswell Hill Forum is proposed in the	
		position on Highgate Wood were to change we	future there will be an opportunity to	
		would wish to reserve the right to seek, if it seemed	amend the boundaries of the Highgate NA	
		appropriate at the time, the boundaries to be	and become part of the new NA, if one is	
(	Friends of Queens	changed so that the Wood was transferred to the	set up and if it is deemed suitable and	
30	Wood	ensuing Muswell Hill Area.	appropriate.	No action

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I shows it is relevant to our local needs.	proposed Neighbourhood Area.	action

	Name	Response	Council's Response	Action
		I would not like to see a forum set up at this time. At present this is a very new concept. It appears to be more suitable for coherent rural areas than for the overlapping structure of a big city. I believe it would be advisable to wait for experience elsewhere before	,	
		embarking on such a radical change. My impression – not least from the Government background leaflet – is that it is primarily designed to	As Neighbourhood Planning is now in force the proposed Highgate Forum is	
		enable faster and more extensive new developments. This is not the main need for planning in a mature area such as Highgate. The centre-	entitled to use the new right once they meet the requirements set out in the	
		of interest for the Forum is Highgate Village. This is an ancient	regulations.	
		the 18th century, it has remained a small centre with a very limited	61(G)(6), modifications to designated	
		hinterland. The proposed Neighbourhood Area seems in general to be too large. I have lived in Stanhope Gardens, one of the streets	areas can be made. This means if a Crouch End Forum is proposed in the	
		proposed for inclusion in the Area for more than 40 years. Highgate	future there will be an opportunity to	
		Village has never been of significance. This is partly topographical — the village is on high ground and access by foot is not easy. There	amend the boundaries of the Highgate  NA and become part of the new NA, if	
		are no buses to the Village from the east, and the only attractions are	one is set up and if it is deemed suitable	
		the pubs and restaurants – in an admittedly attractive setting. The parkland Walk also forms a significant physical barrier to movement	and appropriate. The Council can only refuse an MA	
		As a result we only visit the Village 2 or 3 times a year. By contrast	application based on planning grounds	
		we go to the centre of Crouch End several times a week. It has a	and in this case we do not see these	
		huge range of shops as well as cafes, pubs etc., not to mention the	areas as separate in planning terms. For	•
		library, and is far easier to access. In addition to an easy walk there is the alternative of a 4 minute ride on the W5 bits. As such we feel with	example, the streets concerned and the rest of the proposed area are in the	
		belong to Crouch End, and we believe this is shared by many of our	Highgate Conservation Area. In addition,	
		neighbours. So at present I would be against the setting up of a	although you express clearly your	
		Stanhope Gardens to be included at present. I do not believe its	the Crouch End area than Highgate, we	
		planning function would be of value to us. Although there are some	are concerned that this may not	•
		is that it would be you have to look a form for each. My understanding	necessarily be the view of every resident in the chart in allocation Indeed come	
		want to join a Crouch End one if it was proposed - whereas it ought	individuals from the streets concerned	
2	David	to be possible to join Highgate at a later date if that in fact proves a	have expressed their support for the No	No
5	waidi	success and shows it is relevant to our local heeds.		action i

	Name		Response	Council's Response	Action
				In line with the Localism Act, under	
			We wish to object most strongly to the inclusion in	61(G)(6), modifications to designated	
			the application submitted by the Highgate	areas can be made. This means if a	
			Neighbourhood Forum, of the following streets in	Crouch End Forum is proposed in the	
			their chosen area; Stanhope Road, Stanhope	future there will be an opportunity to	
			Gardens, Claremont Road, Maybury Mews and	amend the boundaries of the Highgate NA	
			Wychwood End.	and become part of the new NA, if one is	
			Out objection is based on the lack of coherence	set up and if it is deemed suitable and	
			between other areas of N6 and these streets, their	appropriate. The Council can only refuse	
			proximity and geographical orientation towards the	an NA application based on planning	
		•	Crouch End area and the views of residents	grounds and in this case we do not see	
			The issue was raised at a CASCH AGM in April	these areas as separate in planning	
			2012 and the majority of members voted against	terms. For example, the streets	
			being included in the Forum. This outcome was not	concerned and the rest of the proposed	
~			mention in the Neighbourhood Forum application	area are in the Highgate Conservation	
***************************************			It must be stated that if there was to be a strong	Area. In addition, although you express	
			community led plan to create a Crouch End	clearly vour reasons as to why you	
			Neighbourhood Forum then we are sure CASCH	identify more with the Crouch End area	
			members would want to be part of it and in this case	than Highgate, we are concerned that this	
		-	the Western boundary would be Parkland Walk and	may not necessarily be the view of every	
			would include the streets in dispute.	resident in the streets in question. Indeed.	•
			For these reasons we ask that the subject	some individuals from the streets	
	(		application if approved excludes the streets listed by	concerned have expressed their support	
32	CASCH		us above.	for the proposed Neighbourhood Area.	No action







### Appendix C – Application to designate the Highgate Neighbourhood Area

## Application to become a Neighbourhood Area from Highgate Neighbourhood Forum

Contact: Chair - Maggy Meade-King,

email: admin@highgateneighbourhoodforum.org.uk

## 1. The Neighbourhood Area this relates to is the Highgate Neighbourhood Area

- 2. We attach a **map** (*Highgate Hi Res July 2012*) showing the proposed area for our neighbourhood forum.
- 3. We believe this is the appropriate area for our Neighbourhood Forum because it is the area widely regarded as "Highgate" by those who live and work in the area. It is also the area covered by the amenity societies who are affiliated to the Forum. Where we were unsure if particular streets regarded themselves as being a part of Highgate, we consulted them directly for their views (see below).
- 4. Because we had to start somewhere, we began with the N6 postal district, as this was the nearest officially designated area to that locally defined as Highgate. However, after the discussions described below and after checking historical and present administrative boundaries, we fine tuned this rather crude area boundary to that marked in red on the attached map.
- 5. We contacted the neighbouring communities also planning to set up neighbourhood forums (Archway, Crouch End, Dartmouth Park and Hampstead) and agreed boundaries with them. We can confirm that after careful negotiation we have agreed with the Holly Lodge Estate Committee and CAAC that Holly Lodge will join the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum and Area please see from our list of Affiliates attached (Affiliates) that all the relevant organisation in Holly Lodge are now affiliated to the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum. We also took part in discussions between the Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum, the Holly Lodge Estate Committee and CAAC and Swains Lane residents, as a result of which we agreed that the Dartmouth Park NF could include residents on both sides of Swains Lane (see the detail on the attached map of our area Highgate Hi Res July 2012).
- 6. We intend to work closely with neighbouring forums or communities that decide not to have a forum in developing our Neighbourhood Plan and cooperate over issues of mutual interest.

- 7. At the same time, we contacted all the residents' associations across the proposed area (plus the City of London and English Heritage in the case of Highgate Wood and the fringes of Hampstead Heath, and the Friends of Queens Wood) and asked them whether they wanted to be included in the Forum area. The current boundaries are the result of the agreements reached in those negotiations. Please note in particular that Fordington Road residents (who might equally have chosen to be in Muswell Hill or East Finchley) are affiliated to the Highgate NF at their request. Also that we have a representative resident of the The Miltons area on our Committee, in the absence of any functioning residents' association in that particular part of our Area.
- 8. We are a relevant body to make this application under the terms of the Neighbourhood Forum Regulations and the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations because:
  - a) Our membership is open to everyone who lives or works in the area and to Counciliors
  - b) We have more than 21 members (as of August 2012, we have 150)
  - c) We have a written Constitution (attached *HNF Constitution updated* 120712)
  - d) We have been established to promote the social, economic and environmental well-being of our area
  - e) We have a membership drawn from different places in the neighbourhood area
  - f) We have membership drawn from different sections of the community in the area.
  - g) Please see the Statement in our accompanying Application for designation as a Neighbourhood Forum under the provisions of the Localism Act 2012 for more details and evidence on the above points.

Maggy Meade-King Chair, Highgate Neighbourhood Forum 7 August, 2012 Appendix D – Highgate Neighbourhood Forum Application and supporting information

# Application for designation as a Neighbourhood Forum under the provisions of the Localism Act 2012: Highgate Neighbourhood Forum

Contact: Chair - Maggy Meade-King,

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### **Neighbourhood Area**

We attach a map (*Highgate Hi Res July 2012*) showing the proposed area for our neighbourhood forum – **Highgate Neighbourhood Area**. Please see attached our *Application to become a Neighbourhood Area* for more details on this and confirmation that we have agreed the boundary with our neighbouring community groups and residents' groups within the Area.

### Constitution

We attach a copy of our constitution (*HNF constitution 2012 – updated 120712*). This was formally adopted at our Inaugural Annual General Meeting on May 29, 2012. Please note that the list of Affiliates described in Appendix 2 has expanded since the Constitution was updated – see the *Affiliates* attachment.

### **Statement**

- 1. The Highgate Neighbourhood Forum has been established with the express purpose of promoting and improving the social, economic and environmental well being of Highgate (as defined by the attached map). In addition, you will note that the first of the principles outlined in our Constitution states that the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum "will take the distinctive character and heritage of Highgate into account in all its actions, and will aim to ensure that all development in the Area preserves or enhances this character". We intend to work closely with organisations and communities in neighbouring areas in developing our plan and co-operate over areas and issues of mutual interest.
- 2. Membership of the Forum is open to all individuals who live or work in the area and also to elected members representing the area. We have no membership fees and are endeavouring to recruit members from across the geographical area and from different sections of the community. We currently (August 2012) have more than150 individual members (see attached HNF Individual and Business Members) and expect to recruit many more once our leaflets/questionnaires have gone to every household (see below).
  Considerably more residents are kept in touch with Forum activities via their residents' associations and/or action groups (see attached list of 37 Affiliates). We therefore have considerably more than the legislative

requirement for 21 members and can confirm that they are predominantly residents of the area but also include people with businesses here and all our Councillors.

- 3. Members can participate in the Forum in a variety of ways. First of all, we are encouraging everyone in the Area to fill in our questionnaire, either online or on paper. Both our website and our leaflet also give an email address to contact the Committee to be kept informed/get more involved and two drop off points for contact for those not on the Internet. Right now, around 30 people are delivering leaflets across the Area and our 37 affiliated organisations are urging people to fill in the Forum Questionnaire online. The leaflets, the website and mentions on other websites and in the press are bringing in new members all the time, and they will all be offered the opportunity to participate in the walkabouts and the workshop events (see below). In addition a number of people have been approached directly to participate in the Forum subgroups (see below). We will publicise all the forthcoming events via our web site, our database of members (to whom we send regular updates), our Affiliates (who represent hundreds and maybe thousands of people across our Area) and through our local media.
- 4. We have a written **Constitution** (attached).
- 5. We have a **Committee** of 21 people (*HNF Committee Addresses* attached) 15 elected annually at our AGM, plus six Councillors from the two relevant wards in Camden and Haringey. I should add that all our Councillors (from three political parties) have been very supportive of the proposed Forum from the onset. To be clear, this is the Committee elected annually by our members (potentially everyone who lives or works in Highgate but currently 150 strong) the Neighbourhood Forum itself is the whole membership and it merely elects the Committee to undertake necessary administrative tasks. Many more people are actively involved in the Forum for instance currently in delivering our questionnaire leaflets and 80 people attended our Inaugural AGM.
- 6. We have a structure of **sub groups** to address particular issues (see Schools at 16 below) and in particular Community Engagement and Neighbourhood Planning I attach a list of these (*HNF Committee Structure*) so you can see the extent of our activities. All of these sub-groups have a range of membership selected for their interests and expertise much wider than the overall Forum Committee.
- 7. The **geographical spread of our membership** is across our area. We don't, as yet, have a way of measuring the exact geographical location of our individual members, though our questionnaire (see below) will soon provide

us with exact data on the responses to that. However, I have annotated the list of Affiliates attached to indicate the breadth of our coverage and to demonstrate that our support does cover the whole of our area. I have also included the addresses of our Committee members (HNF Committee Addresses) to show how they are spread across the Highgate Neighbourhood Area and highlighted our Business members in red for Highgate Village and purple for Archway Road (HNF Individual and Business Members).

- 8. Community engagement: we have endeavoured to reach all sectors of our community before applying for designation, but our efforts are ongoing and will, no doubt continue throughout the life of the Forum. In the first instance, we contacted all the local residents' associations and action groups and asked them if they were interested in being involved in the proposed Neighbourhood Forum in Highgate. Having received a positive response, we called a meeting on January 26, 2012, which most organisations and a number of interested individuals attended (around 70 people). This meeting resolved to take the Forum forward. A Community Engagement sub-group then worked with MADE (consultants funded by the Government's Building Communities programme) on ways to reach everyone across our community.
- 9. As a result, our first initiative is the production of the attached **leaflet and questionnaire** (*HNF leaflet-g*) to introduce the Forum and glean the views of everyone across the community. We have asked our affiliates to deliver it to their members and we are currently (August 2012) in the process of delivering the leaflets to every household in our Neighbourhood Area. You will note from the leaflet that two local organisations have provided dropboxes on either side of the area to allow residents who do not have Internet connection to give us their views.
- 10. The questionnaire is also on our website:
  - http://www.highgateneighbourhoodforum.org.uk as is our constitution, the minutes of all our general and Committee meetings and a general explanation of the Forum and our activities. We also use this web address in all media coverage of the Forum (to date, several articles in our local magazine Buzz and a piece in the local newspaper The Ham and High), as it provides an easy way to contact us for those with Internet connection. Our questionnaire is also on the Haringey Consultations webpage and on some relevant local websites.
- 11. Two of our members are working on a **Community Calendar** for our website which we will use to publicise our events and which will also be available to our Affiliates to publicise their own events.

- 12. A new Forum member (a Politics graduate student who heard about us from a leaflet delivered to his home) has now set us up **Facebook and Twitter** accounts, most particularly to reach younger members of our community. He is also intending to weave our work into his forthcoming MA.
- 13. Once the leaflets have been distributed and while the analysis of the questionnaire results is undertaken, we intend to undertake PlaceCheck walkabouts (<a href="www.placecheck.info/">www.placecheck.info/</a>) to have a more detailed look at the various sections of our neighbourhood.
- 14. Following that probably in late Autumn we hope to hold **several workshop engagement events** where we announce the results of the questionnaire, report back on the walkabouts and then proceed to pull this all together to **form a Vision** of how we would like Highgate to be in the future. This Vision will form the basis of our Neighbourhood Plan. The Princes Foundation are applying to DCLoG for funding to support us in organising these events and preparing our Neighbourhood Plan.
- 15. In the meantime, we will continue in our efforts to reach all sectors of the community. We are delivering our leaflets to every household and have had a good response so far from all parts of our community.
- 16. Specifically, we have tried from the beginning to involve all **faith groups**. So far, St Michael's Church (CofE) has joined us, as has the Muguran Hindu Temple (Tamil community). We continue to try and engage the non-conformist churches and the Highgate Synagogue.
- 17. Housing tenure: we have worked particularly hard to make sure we include residents living in all types of housing tenures in both Boroughs. All the large apartment blocks are included in our Affiliates, as are all the residents' associations covering groups of residential streets. Both the major Council estates on the Haringey side of our Area (Highgate and Hillcrest) are now affiliated in both cases after encouragement from us and local Councillors to revive their residents' associations. We will now see if any representatives of these associations would be prepared to be co-opted onto the Forum Committee.
- 18. The only remaining Council estate in our Area the mansion blocks on the Holly Lodge Estate in Camden is not yet affiliated as we haven't been able to get any response from their residents' association. However, the Holly Lodge Community Centre has affiliated, we and our Councillors continue to try and engage residents and we will deliver a questionnaire leaflet to all the flats in the blocks. (As I mentioned in my earlier email response, Highgate Newtown is in the Dartmouth Park NF Area).

- 19. **Schools**: you will see on our website that one of our Committee members has already run a successful project with one of our primary schools, gathering their emphatic views about what is good and bad about Highgate. He and his colleagues on our Schools sub-group are now endeavouring to extend that project i.e using IT to engage students in expressing their views on the future of our Area to all the primary and secondary schools in our area. The new member who has set up our Facebook and Twitter accounts is also planning to engage sixth formers in our local secondary schools Art and Design classes in designing our logo and Government and Politics classes in more sophisticated analysis of our attempts at local democracy.
- 20. **Residential and care homes:** one of our residential homes the Mary Fielding Guild has already affiliated and is encouraging their residents to fill in our questionnaire. We intend to engage with the other residential and care homes in our Area.
- 21. Businesses: Another of our Committee members, who is both a resident and trader in the area, has organised the Highgate Village Business Association and has offered to advise traders on Archway Road on doing the same. Other members of the Committee are making strenuous efforts to involve these traders on an individual basis and, as you will see on the list of individual and business supporters (attached), have already had some success.
- 22. **Disabled people:** the Harington Scheme (horticultural training for young people with learning disabilities) is one of our affiliates and will be working closely with us on our development plans for Highgate. We are also endeavouring to reach other groups representing disabled people via our other affiliates and individual members.
- 23. So, in short, we have made great efforts from the beginning to be as inclusive of all groups within our community as possible we want everyone to feel included in the Highgate Neighbourhood Forum. We don't underestimate the scale of our ambition, but our main focus over the next few months will be to engage with as many people as we possibly can of all age groups and interests and in the many and varied types of housing our community includes. We are determined that the views gathered by our questionnaire will be genuinely representative of the whole community with no pre-suppositions on our behalf (hence the open questions in the questionnaire).
- 24. We realise we have only just begun on this journey and it will be a mark of the success of the Forum how many previously unheard voices are heard and how much energy and enthusiasm the Forum is able to generate.

Maggy Meade-King Chair, Highgate Neighbourhood Forum, 7 August, 2012

## Highgate Neighbourhood Forum: Affiliated Organisations in August 2012

### **Residents Associations**

Brookfield Mansions Freehold Ltd (mansion block at base of Highgate West Hill, Camden)

Cholmeley Lodge Residents Ltd (mansion block on Highgate Hill)

Cromwell Area Residents Association (Streets on Haringey side of Highgate Hill)

Fitzroy Park Residents Association (streets leading down to Hampstead Heath in Camden)

Fordington Road Residents Association (streets in north east corner of our Neighbourhood Area)

Highgate Residents Association (*Haringey Council Estate*) Highpoint Management Board (*Mansion block on North Road*)

Hillcrest Residents Assoc (Haringey Council Estate)

Holly Lodge Estate Committee (which runs HLE)

Kingsley Place and Somerset Gardens Res Assoc (streets off Southwood Lane)

Northwood Hall Residents Association (mansion block on Hornsey Lane)

Pond Square Residents Association (houses around central Highgate Village square)

Southwood House Estate Residents Company (housing development off Southwood Lane)

Southwood Park Residents Association (apartment blocks on Southwood Avenue)

West Hill Park Management Co Ltd (housing development off Highgate West Hil, Camden)

### Action groups, amenity societies and faith groups across Highgate

Friends of Parkland Walk

Friends of Queens Wood

Friends of Waterlow Park

Harington Scheme (for young people with learning disabilities)

Highgate Business Circle

Highgate Conservation Area Advisory Committee

**Highgate Cemetery Trust** 

Highgate Choral Society

Highgate Safer Neighbourhood Panel (Haringey)

The Highgate Society

Highgate Village Business Association

Holly Lodge Community Centre

Holly Lodge Conservation Area Committee Hornsey Historical Society Kenwood Estate (English Heritage) Muguran Hindu Temple St Michael's Church Transition Highgate

### Schools

Highgate Primary School St Michael's Primary School

Residential and care homes Mary Fielding Guild

## Highgate Neighbourhood Forum Committee posts of responsibility + working group structure

Maggy Meade-King - Chair + Community Engagement

Elspeth Clements - Vice Chair + Neighbourhood Plan

Louise Lewis - Membership Secretary

Neil Perkins - Treasurer

Avril Castellazzo - Business Liaison

Ian Henghes – Schools Liaison + IT

Martin Adeney - PR, Marketing and Fundraising

Michael Hammerson – Liaison with neighbouring communities and stakeholders

### **Community Engagement sub-groups:**

Questionnaire leaflet production and distribution

PlaceCheck Walkabouts

Workshop events to create Vision

### Neighbourhood Plan sub-groups

**Business** 

Culture

Heritage

**Open Spaces** 

Planning

Sustainability

Transport

### Highgate Neighbourhood Forum Individual and Business members

Anastasia Harrison

Anne Jamieson

Anu Rau

Barry White

**Christine Farrell** 

Clare Leris

David Warren

Deb Houssein

Eileen George

Harley Atkinson

Jacob O'Callaghan

Jeannie Billington

John Dorken

John Plews

John Shepherd

Kirsten de Keyser

Kirsty Hall

Lizza Charlaff

Lucy Moy Thomas

Mark Blacklock

Martin Adeney

Martin Narraway

Mary Holtby

**Neil Perkins** 

Peter Wesley

Simon Pilling

Susan Rose

Tony Baker

Avril Castellazzo

Stephen Hodge

William Dean

Claire Button

Rev Jonathan Trigg

Lorna Ross

Deanne Leloup

Christopher Ashley

William Douglas

Carlin Wilkowski

Gerald Walker

Valerie Wuttke

Clare Fischer

Stuart Bull

Adam Garfunkel

Adrian Betham

Alan Poole

Alan Taylor

Alex Keel

Alexis Rowell

Allyson Abel

Alvin Cohan and Ian Pretty

Ameena

Andre Gibbs

Andrew Dismore, London Assembly Member

Anne Burley

### Archway Video, Donna

### **Bewitched**

Lord Bill Rodgers

Cllr Bob Hare

The Bull, North Hill

The Gatehouse Theatre

### Capri Pizzeria

Chris Underhill

Christina Nolan

Cyril Meadows

**David Black** 

**David Porter** 

**Dion Watts** 

### Highgate Dry Cleaners, Archway Rd

Elizabeth Millar

**Elspeth Clements** 

Fiona Parry

Gail Waldman

Gordon Forbes

Harvey and Barbara Goldstein

**Helen Bowers** 

**Hugh Francis** 

Ian Henghes

Jackie Jones

Jacqui Richardson

James McAlister

Jane Price

Janice Morgan

### Jaymini Patel

Jemima Sanders

Jill Greenfield

Jim Meikle

Jo Moody,

Joan Nagler

John Browning

John Lillie

Josef Davies-Coates

Judith Hermer

Julia Finlayson

Karen Beare

Keith Gold

Lindy Mason

Liz Morris

### London Print Centre, Ozgur and Alper

Louise Lewis

Lynne Featherstone, MP

Mabel Sumner

Maggy Meade-King

Marc Haynes

Marie Helene English

Marilyn Nicolaou

Mary Rawitzer

Matthew Ackland

Ciir Maya de Souza

Michael Hammerson

Michael Rose

Molly Turner

CIIr Neil Williams

Nicky Gavron, London Assembly Membder

Nicolas Forsans

**Noel Casey** 

Patricia Walby

Paul Fluckiger

Pauline Buttle

Pepin Clout

Peter Desbois

Peter Ward

Pippa Rothenberg

PJ Beaton

Rachel Allison

Richard Webber

Ruth Hazledine

Cllr Sally Gimson

Sarah Champion

Simon Briscoe

Simon Martini

Simon Whitfield

Stephen Buttle

Stephen Hodge

Stephen Panke

Stephen Taylor

Steve Engleherd
Steven Day
Sue Vinson
Susan B Chinn
T.A. Gray
Tamar Karet
Tom Allen
Tom Lyon
Tony Rushbrook
Cllr Valerie Leach
Wendy Russell
WKD, Highgate High Street
Zelas Wine Shop, Archway Road;





## THE HIGHGATE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM CONSTITUTION

### adopted by the Inaugural General Meeting on May 29th 2012

### 1 Purpose and Objects

- 1.1 The Highgate Neighbourhood Forum ('HNF') is a neighbourhood forum as defined in the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by the Localism Act 2011 ('the Act').
- 1.2 The purpose of HNF is to further the social, economic and environmental well-being of the Highgate Area as defined in section 2 below ('the Area') by acting for the Area under the provisions of the Act.
- 1.3 HNF membership will be open to residents living in the Area, individuals working or carrying on business in the Area, local representative groups and Borough Councillors representing all or part of the Area. HNF will aim for as wide a representation of communities in the area as possible. Membership and organisation of HNF are set out in section 3 below.
- 1.4 HNF will monitor development management policy and its application in the Area and will produce and maintain a Neighbourhood Development Plan as defined in section 4 below.
- 1.5 HNF may initiate Neighbourhood Development Orders or Community Right to Build Orders, identify Assets of Community Value, or carry out any other permitted actions.
- 1.6 HNF will act in accordance with General Policies and Principles set out in section 5 below.

### 2 The Highgate Neighbourhood Area ('the Area')

- 2.1 The Area shall be the area shown in the map in Appendix 1 and may be changed by the Forum Committee as it considers necessary from time to time and will be finally determined on designation by the relevant authorities.
- 2.2 The Area is the developed residential and business part of the area which local people traditionally consider to be 'Highgate'.
- 2.3 As defined, the Area falls within the boundaries of two London Boroughs, Camden and Haringey.

### 3 Membership and Organisation

### Membership

- 3.1 Membership of HNF is open to:
  - residents living in the Area, either as individual members or via representative bodies such as those outlined below;
  - local businesses and individuals who work in the Area;
  - Highgate Ward Councillors from both London Boroughs.
- 3.2 Affiliate membership (non voting) is open to:
  - representative Residents' Associations, friends' groups, and amenity societies and associations, collectively described herein as 'Organisations'. Affiliated organisations are listed in Appendix 2. This list will be updated from time to time as necessary;
  - the Conservation Area Advisory Committee[s] (CAAC).

### Forum Committee

- 3.3 A Committee comprising up to 15 members will be elected at each AGM to carry out the day-to-day work of the Forum. The quorum for the Committee will be 9 members.
- 3.4 The Committee will elect the following officers of the Forum from its number: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Officers will serve for one year and be subject to re-election, and there will be no limit to the number of terms an officer may serve. The Chair (or the Vice Chair when acting as Chair) will have a casting vote at any Committee or General Meeting.

- 3.5 The Committee will direct and oversee the work of the Forum and will meet at least quarterly for this purpose.
- 3.6 Subcommittees or working parties may be appointed by the Committee to carry out specific tasks, to consider policies and to advise the Committee. Such bodies may be appointed from within or outside the membership of the Forum but will be responsible to the Committee.
- 3.7 The Committee may co-opt up to three additional members to the Committee in any year. Co-opted members will have the same voting rights as other Committee members. A co-opted member may be elected as an officer.
- 3.8 Councillors representing the Highgate Wards in both Boroughs will be invited to all Committee meetings and will have the same voting rights as other Committee members.
- 3.9 The Secretary will make minutes of General and Committee Meetings available to the members of the Forum within three weeks of the meeting unless impracticable. Organisations which are affiliated to HNF will be encouraged to communicate such information to their membership.

#### Meetings

- 3.10 Annual General Meetings will be held in May or as close to such date as practicable. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by decision of the Committee or by 30 members of the Forum applying to the Secretary. For all General Meetings, a notice of the meeting and details of any resolutions to be put to it will be sent to all Forum members at least 21 days before the meeting.
- 3.11 At any General Meeting each member present will have one vote. Where practicable, arrangements will be made to enable members unable to attend to appoint a proxy. Decisions of General Meetings will be by simple majority except in the cases set out in section 6 below. The quorum for a General Meeting shall be 30 members.

#### **Notices**

3.12 Notices to members will be deemed delivered if sent to the member's last notified email address, or (where no email address is given) sent by post to the last notified address.

#### Finance

- 3.13 The Forum will have the power to raise funds as necessary for its activities, by grant, donation or any other appropriate means.
- 3.14 The Committee will open one or more bank accounts as necessary in the name of the Forum. All funds raised for the Forum will be held in such accounts. The Committee will nominate bank signatories.
- 3.15 The Committee will where necessary insure any assets it holds, and by insurance or otherwise indemnify its officers against liabilities arising from their work for the Forum.
- 3.16 Subject to funding, the Committee may commission advisory services, surveys or any other activity in support of the Objects.

### Register of Committee Members' Interests

3.17 The Secretary will keep a Register of Committee Members' Interests detailing any financial interests in the Area or any other interest which could be deemed to have an influence on decisions likely to come before the Committee. Members will abstain from voting on any matter in which they have a financial interest.

### 4 Neighbourhood Development Plan

- 4.1 The Highgate Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) will set out policies for the development and use of land within the Area. As provided for in the Act, it will be subject to extensive consultation and examination, including where appropriate a referendum within the Area.
- 4.2 The NDP will include, where appropriate, specific policies for identified parts of the Area, including conservation policies. In a Conservation Area, conservation policies will be agreed with the relevant CAAC.
- 4.3 The NDP will aim to:

- complement the Local Development Frameworks and Conservation Area Appraisals as produced by the relevant Planning Authorities to ensure that all development is sympathetic to the character of the Area;
- identify locations for potential sensitive development that will, within the Local Development Frameworks, include affordable housing, retail, business and community use;
- express aspirations for the future development of traffic and transport serving or passing through the Area;
- provide for the preservation and improvement of private and public open space;
- nominate Assets of Community Value for listing by the appropriate local authority;
- set a framework for the retail and business improvement of the Area;
- guide the Planning and Highway Authorities towards improvements in the public realm;
- pay due attention to sustainability and carbon reduction;
- pay due attention to the surface and underground water environment, flood and pollution risks and soil stability.
- 4.4 The NDP will include policies aimed at generating employment in the Area and promoting business activity, including retail. It will aim to promote a good range of shops in the community with particular emphasis on encouraging smaller enterprises.

### 5 General Policies and Principles

- 5.1 HNF will take the distinctive character and heritage of Highgate into account in all its actions, and will aim to ensure that all development in the Area preserves or enhances this character.
- 5.2 HNF will aim to promote Highgate as a vibrant business and residential community with an improved public realm.
- 5.3 HNF will aim for improvements in the local environment including those directed towards carbon reduction.
- 5.4 HNF will generally support actions aimed at generating employment in the Area.
- 5.5 HNF will promote policies to maximise social benefit, community links, services for young people, crime reduction and support for elderly and vulnerable members of the community.
- 5.6 HNF will operate respecting all differences including gender, age, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, disability and income.
- 5.7 HNF will encourage all interested residents and all representative groupings of residents or businesses in the Area to become members of HNF and to work alongside HNF to further their joint objectives.

### 6 Amendments and Dissolution

- 6.1 Amendments to the body of this Constitution will be by decision of a General Meeting carried out in accordance with 3.10 and 3.11 above, with the exception that such a vote will only be carried if supported by 75% or more of those voting.
- 6.2 HNF may be dissolved by decision of a General Meeting specifically called for this purpose and carried out in accordance with 3.10 and 3.11 above, with the exception that such a vote will only be carried if supported by 75% or more of those voting.
- 6.3 In the event of dissolution, any property or funds held by HNF will be
  - subject to the agreement of the Members at General Meeting, allocated to one or more nominated organisations set up to continue the work of HNF, or
  - in the absence of any such organisation and subject to any statutory regulations, distributed equally to the constituent local organisations who are its members (but not to individual members).
- 6.4 In accordance with the Act, a formal review of the functions and achievements of HNF will be carried out five years after its formation. Following such review, and consultation with its members, HNF will decide to continue, amend or dissolve itself as considered appropriate.

## Appendix 1 Map of proposed Highgate Neighbourhood Forum Area

last updated July 12, 2012: for future updates see http://www.highgateneighbourhoodforum.org.uk/Area.html



### Appendix 2

### Highgate Neighbourhood Forum affiliated organisations

last updated July 12, 2012: for future updates see http://www.highgateneighbourhoodforum.org.uk/Constitution\_%26\_Minutes.html

Brookfield Mansions Freehold Ltd

Cholmeley Lodge Residents Ltd

Cromwell Area Residents Association

Fitzroy Park Residents Association

Fordington Road Residents Association

Friends of Parkland Walk

Friends of Queens Wood

Friends of Waterlow Park

Harington Scheme

Highgate Business Circle

Highgate Conservator Area Advisory Committee

Highgate Cemetery Trust

Highgate Literary and Scientific Associaton

Highgate Residents Association (Highgate Estate)

Highgate Safer Neighbourhood Panel (Haringey)

The Highgate Society

Highgate Village Business Association

Highpoint Management Board

Holly Lodge Conservation Area Committee

Holly Lodge Estate Committee

Hornsey Historical Society

Kenwood Estate (English Heritage)

Kingsley Place and Somerset Gardens Residents Assoc

Northwood Hall Residents Association

Muguran Hindu Temple

Pond Square Residents Associaton

Southwood House Estate Residents Company

Southwood Park Residents Association

St Michaels Primary School

Transition Highgate

West Hill Park Management Co Ltd

