

MINUTES OF THE CROUCH END, HORNSEY AND STROUD GREEN AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 31 JANUARY 2013



Haringey Council

Councillors Reece, Reid, Strang (Chair), Weber, Whyte, Wilson and Winskill

Apologies Councillor Gorrie

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
39.	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Gorrie.</p>	
40.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
41.	<p>MINUTES</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2012 were approved as a correct record of the meeting.</p>	
42.	<p>ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE FORUM</p> <p>The following actions were identified following the discussions held during the area forum:</p> <p>Park Road Leisure centre</p> <p>Simon Farrow – Head of Client Services, Haringey Council – and Ian Gallagher – Divisional Business Manager, Fusion Lifestyle – attended the meeting to provide an update on the implementation of the new Fusion Lifestyle contract, particularly at the Park Road leisure centre.</p> <p>NOTED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The contract had been awarded following an 18 month procurement process. Fusion Lifestyle took over the management of 4 leisure centres – Broadwater Farm, Park Road, Tottenham Green and White Hart Lane. • Existing staff had been TUPE'd over to become Fusion staff members, and the level of staff had increased. • A customer feedback card system was in place at all leisure centres and customers were encouraged to use this. 	

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- Further information on Fusion Lifestyle could be found at the website - <http://www.fusion-lifestyle.com/>
- Ian Gallagher could be contacted by email – ian.gallagher@fusion-lifestyle.com

Action 1 – Fusion Lifestyle had offered to set up a local user-group. Councillor Strang offered to co-ordinate and asked for any volunteers to contact him.

ACTION: Chair / Fusion Lifestyle

Action 2 – the synopsis specification document should be published on the Fusion / Haringey website.

ACTION: Director, Place & Sustainability

Planning Enforcement

Myles Joyce – Team Leader, Planning Enforcement & Appeals – gave a presentation on planning enforcement (presentation available on the website), and answered questions from the public.

Members thanked Myles for attending and identified the following action:

Action 3 – Committee members to explore mechanisms for influencing the priorities informing the exercise of ‘expediency’ with regards to planning enforcement in forum area to better reflect local wishes.

ACTION: Chair / Myles Joyce

Budget Consultation

Kevin Bartle – Assistant Director, Finance – attended to provide an overview of the budget consultation (presentation available on the website). Apologies from Councillor Goldberg were received, as the rescheduling of the forum had clashed with another meeting.

Members and residents noted that although the online consultation had closed on 21 February 2013, Councillor Goldberg had agreed that comments made during the forum would be fed back via the minutes, and residents would be able to send any comments directly to him – joe.goldberg@haringey.gov.uk

The main issues noted were:

- Priorities should be public spaces such as libraries and parks (places that the community can use for free), early years and children / young people services.
- There were concerns that the Universal Credit could lead to people leaving the borough, which could lead to a financial shortfall in the borough’s finances.

Crime and Policing

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	<p>NOTED that neither the Borough Commander or Safer Neighbourhood Team were able to attend the meeting.</p> <p>Councillor Weber informed residents and members of the forthcoming MOPAC consultation meeting at the Civic Centre - http://www.london.gov.uk/events/policing-and-crime-consultation-events</p> <p>Parish Pump</p> <p>NOTED the four speakers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Raising awareness of the issue of dog fouling (including a request for people to report any incidents to Veolia – 020 8885 7700)2) An invitation to attend the Sustainable Haringey event3) Information on the CASCH residents associations' AGM, with its' focus on neighbourhood planning4) An update on the Earl Haig building	
43.	<p>AREA PLAN - FOR SIGN OFF</p> <p>The Chair welcomed Joan Hancox to the meeting. Members discussed the area plan and the following points were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Members were broadly happy with the priorities, and agreed that the focus should be on the actions and their definition.• There were concerns over the senior level commitment to the plan, which was required for it to work.• Joan Hancox advised that if members had issues about the quality of responses to targets on the plan that they could invite the officer responsible to an Area Committee meeting in order to provide a detailed response. <p>The Committee decided not to sign off the plan in its' current form, and agreed that more specific, actionable feedback needed to be provided to the officers as to why there were reservations about the plan and what the Committee would want to see before it could be signed off. The Chair requested that comments be sent to him, and he would set up a meeting with Joan Hancox and the Director of Place and Sustainability with a view to presenting an updated plan to members in March.</p> <p>ACTION: Chair / Committee Members</p>	
44.	<p>DATES OF FUTURE MEETING - 15 APRIL 2013</p> <p>Members noted the date of the next meeting.</p>	
45.	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE</p> <p>There was no such business.</p>	

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COUNCILLOR PAUL STRANG

Chair