

**MINUTES OF THE NORTHUMBERLAND PARK & WHITE HART LANE AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2013**

**Present:** Councillor Charles Adje, Councillor Kaushika Amin, Councillor John Bevan, Councillor Gideon Bull and Councillor Anne Stennett (Chair)

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
	<p><b>APOLOGIES</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Councillor Peacock.</p>	
	<p><b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b></p> <p>No declarations of interest were made.</p>	
	<p><b>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</b></p> <p>The Committee discussed the minutes of the previous meeting and the following points were made:</p> <p><u>Tottenham regeneration – communication/Chair’s action</u> The Chair noted that she had not, as yet, written to Councillor Strickland regarding this matter and she noted that she would contact him following meeting.</p> <p><u>Licensing/health considerations</u> The Chair noted that she would write to the Director of Public Health to enquire whether the Local Authority’s licensing policy could be amended to take health into consideration.</p> <p><u>Somerset Gardens</u> Councillor Bull noted that he had discussed the application for a new pharmacy with Planning Officers and that he had been advised that no action could be taken until 18 October when the current license expired.</p> <p>There was agreement that officers should be asked to provide an update with respect to this to the Committee after the 18 October.</p> <p><b><u>Post meeting note</u></b> On 11 November 2013, the Council’s Planning Committee heard the application for Change of use of healthcare centre from Use Class D1 to incorporate proposed pharmacy resulting in mixed use comprising D1 (non residential institutions) and A1 (retail). The application was approved. Application details and minutes of the meeting can be found here - <a href="http://www.minutes.haringey.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=728&amp;MId=63">http://www.minutes.haringey.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=728&amp;MId=63</a></p>	<p>Chair</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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	<p><a href="#">61</a></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the minutes of the Northumberland Park and White Hart Lane Area Committee meeting, held on 1 July 2013, be confirmed as a correct record.</p>	
	<p><b>ISSUES RAISED DURING THE FORUM</b></p> <p>The Committee noted that the following points, requiring actions to be taken forward, had been raised during the Area Forum:</p> <p><u>Publicising of the meeting</u></p> <p>It was noted that the posters publicising the meeting had not been circulated to the local library or displayed on Homes for Haringey notice boards. More generally several local community groups, which were likely to have an interest in the theme of the meeting, had not been made aware that it was taking place.</p> <p>This issue had been picked up on by local residents who had expressed dismay at the lack of local awareness of the meeting and the topic being discussed.</p> <p>There was agreement that the Chair should write to the Cabinet Member for Communities expressing concern about the lack of support from the Council’s Communication’s Team for the Area Committee meetings. There was a general consensus that in order for the meetings to be worthwhile they had to be properly publicised.</p> <p>In addition it was noted that it would be useful if the list of organisations receiving notification of the meetings was reviewed to ensure that it was relevant and up to date.</p> <p>Concern was expressed more generally about the effectiveness of the Council’s Communications Team in publicising community events, an example of a recent jobs fair was given, and there was agreement that the Chair should raise this issue with the Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Communities.</p> <p><u>Dumping and fly-tipping of rubbish</u></p> <p>Several residents had expressed concern that there had been a significant increase in the levels of fly-tipping and rubbish seen in the area over recent months.</p> <p>It had been noted during the Forum that people wishing to leave rubbish at the recycling centre were now being asked to complete a form; it was suggested that this deterred people from disposing of their rubbish properly. There was agreement that the Cabinet Member for the Environment should raise this</p>	<p>Chair</p> <p>Chair and Clerk</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Councillor Bevan</p>

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	<p>issue with officers and discuss the possibility of introducing a charge that would allow people to leave their rubbish immediately.</p>	
	<p><b>FUTURE MEETINGS, VENUES AND AGENDA ITEMS</b></p> <p>It was noted that the following future agenda items had been suggested:</p> <p><u>Opportunities for ex-offenders</u> During the Forum it had been suggested that there should be a focus on the opportunities and support provided to ex offenders to assist them into work. There was agreement that this should be discussed with officers to determine whether the Area Forum was the best forum for this type of session and if not how this suggestion might be taken forward.</p> <p><u>Neighbourhood planning/involvement of residents</u> There was agreement that this topic should be taken forward as the theme for the next meeting and that the Chair would discuss this with the clerk and other relevant officers following the meeting.</p> <p><u>Fly-tipping and recycling</u> As set out above residents had raised concerns about increasing levels of fly-tipping in the area and there was agreement that there should be an update setting out the measures being taken to combat this at the next meeting.</p> <p>Venue – it was agreed that the next meeting, which was scheduled for 20 January 2014, should be held at Bruce Castle Museum.</p>	<p>Chair</p> <p>Chair/Clerk</p> <p>Chair/Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
	<p><b>ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS</b></p> <p>There were no items of urgent business.</p>	

COUNCILLOR ANNE STENNETT

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