

HAMPSTEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday, 18 July 2018

Attending: Janine Griffis (JG), chair
David Castel (DC), vice chair
Tom Brent (TB)
Linda Chung (LC)
Oliver Froment (OF)
Caroline Goldsack (CG)
Andrew Haslam-Jones (AHJ)
Vicki Harding (VH)
Alex Nicoll (AN)
Clyde Whittaker (CW)

Apologies: Councillor Siobhan Baillie
Councillor Marcus Boyland
Councillor Lorraine Revah
Councillor Oliver Cooper
Councillor Tom Currie
Councillor Stephen Stark
Nicola Sinclair
Stephen Taylor

Location: 14 Denning Road

1. Minutes of previous meeting (2.5.2018)/Matters Arising

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Actions arising: There were no actions arising.

2. Finances

JG reported that the Forum's cash resources had all been expended, with no remaining cash balance. Camden had not yet reimbursed her £800 of referendum expenses. She noted that the Forum's website was fully paid for the next two years.

3. Future Role of Forum

The Committee discussed extensively the possible roles of the Forum moving forward, after the approval of the Plan in the recent referendum and the expected adoption of the Plan by Camden Council in the next couple of months. JG mentioned she had met with a senior Boots marketing person who advised that the Forum should measure the impact of the Plan and be sure to communicate this with its members. She also warned that we might have to manage expectations but at this point, had the "luck of the new kid."

DC mentioned that he had scheduled a meeting with Camden's planning officers to discuss how the Forum can interact with the planning department. After discussion, the Committee reached a

consensus that the Forum (a) should strive to make sure that Camden follows and enforces the Plan's policies and (b) should attempt to track how Camden and developers respond to the Forum's future comments on planning applications. The Committee also discussed how it may be able to use its website to help to inform residents and developers on the Plan's policies.

JG suggested that the Forum may wish to review "significant" planning applications, perhaps defined as those applications relating to larger developments or where a Plan policy has a clear application to the proposed development. She also suggested that the Forum should both provide critical comments on applications where Plan policies are not being followed and positive comments where the Plan's policies are being followed. The Committee discussed the potential significant time and resources that may be required for the Forum to carry out planning application reviews.

AN suggested he continue to tweet on important issues.

ACTIONS: AN to email members in September informing them that the Plan is now "live" and to advise them on how to use the Plan, perhaps including an "advice line". Also will advise how to sign up to Camden's email alert system.

4. CIL Update

JG reported that certain Camden council members recently had warned that existing CIL funds will need to be allocated to local projects or, failing that, the Council should consider reallocating these funds for uses in other parts of the borough. JG noted that the Forum expected to be involved in the next public consultation on potential CIL projects.

5. Enforcement Proposal

OF reported that he and a few other residents (not Committee members) were proposing that the Council should impose a "monitoring fee" as part of section 106 agreements, which would be used to help fund monitoring activities by Camden on compliance with section 106 developer obligations. This proposal was not being proposed by or on behalf of the Forum. OF offered to circulate a draft letter outlining this proposal to any Committee members that may be interested.

6. Any other business

DB noted the importance of the potential development of the Queen Mary site, and suggested that the Forum should be involved in responding to any development proposals. He mentioned that the Heath & Hampstead Society was closely monitoring this matter. After a brief discussion, the Committee agreed that the Forum also should be closely involved as this matter may proceed.

7. Future Meeting Dates

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 11th**.