

**Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum
Committee Meeting
5 July 2021 at 6.30 - 8pm**

Present (online):

John Annette
Nick Bradfield
Ben Castell
Maya de Souza
Valerie Doulton
Paul Farrow
Ilona Hay
Jessica Jacobs
Kathleen Molnar
Emily O'Mara
Mags O'Reilly
Catharine Wells
Eileen Wilmott

Apologies: Cllrs Anna Wright and Sian Berry, Fabian Watkinson and Alessandro Moro

1. Welcome and introductions to new committee members
2. Updates

A: Greening Group

- Disappointment about lack of progress with allocating CIL funds for 3-point park
- Whittington Estate playing areas: Mags agreed to take the lead

B. Highgate Road – public realm project

- Jessica, Ilona and Emily expressed some concerns about slow speed of action and risk of losing community support
- Anna has now arranged a meeting with highways – to take place later in the week

C. Transport

- No news from Camden re proposal
- Members unhappy about lack of progress re Swains Lane pedestrian crossing despite commitment to construct it about 6 months ago [does anyone know the date?]
- JA advised of a near accident on that road.

3. Comms update:

- Kathleen had made links through Highgate Festival so DPNF mentioned as a supporter
- Also tagged on Next Door
- Websites – share links with other people's sites and vice versa to increase sites

- York Rise Street Party – agreed to have a stall.
- Regular newsletter to go out every 2 months
 - Next one to cover Murphy's and include a petition

4. Trees Update

- Valerie to work with Eileen on this and invite Stephen Ainger who had expressed an interest in trees, and asked for a stronger approach.
- Agreed – good to bring him on board. Also, Eileen's report to go onto website includes a good account and also data.

5. Committee posts:

- All agreed to continue in current positions – roles and chairs/members of sub groups.

Key posts as follows:

Chair: Maya de Souza

Vice-chair: Valerie Doulton

Treasurer: Catharine Wells

Chair of Planning sub-group: Ellen & Ben

Chair of Travel sub-group: Ben

Greening sub-group: Catharine Wells

- To review in a few months when people have had a chance to consider what post they may want to take on.
- Agreed that we need a proper secretary or at least a rota of note-takers
New members to consider taking on this role.
- Action: Chair to send round list of roles - see list attached.

6. Mansfield Bowling Green

- Ben & Maya reported back on meeting attended with developers
- Aim of meeting was to push for a proper public meeting to discuss options:
 - Co-housing option involves building into green space
 - Care home option does not
- Discussion about what was required by any development and obligation re green space

Agreed:

- to form a working group – volunteers are:
 - John Annette, Kathleen, Eileen, Paul, Valerie, Ben, Ellen, Ilona, Maya.
Maya to organise initial meeting and push for a public meeting
- Chair to contact Patrick Lefevre to discuss plans [done – will be meeting with him informally]
- John Annette to check legal obligations

7. Murphy's

Formal application to be pub'd shortly – has been filed. Our concerns about height and massing as well as including innovative social housing like co-op housing not dealt with. Little detail provided on design and sustainability.

Next steps:

- Ben to draft open letter and circulate to the committee.
- The working group which includes KT reps, Kelly, Richard Keep (local architect) to seek signatories from nearby resident and other groups plus architects. Maya to follow up with Kelly.
- Flyer to be designed and sent around as necessary. Emily has volunteered.
- Detailed reports eg on sustainability (EIA) to be considered when received checking for example how car free system will work and if genuine. Maya to read and check with Jessica and planning sub-group

8. AOB

- HNCC: construction continues to be an issue. Ellen to report back
- Chester Rd Hostel: Chair with planning committee to arrange a discussion with cllrs to discuss