

**Minutes of DPNF Committee Meeting  
16 March 2022, 6.30 pm by Zoom**

**Attendees:** Ellen Gates (in the chair), Catharine Wells, Kathleen Molnar, Valerie Doulton, Eileen Wilmott, Ben Castell, Emily O'Mara

**Apologies:** Cllr Anna Wright, Maya de Souza, Paul Farrow, Hilary Taylor, Nick Bradfield, Ilona Hay

**Minutes and Matters Arising:** In the absence of formal minutes, Maya's notes from the meeting of 18 February, together with the written reports received, were approved as minutes of the meeting. All matters arising are dealt with under the items below, with the exception of matters relating to the Mansfield Bowling Club. In Paul's absence, these were deferred to the next meeting.

### **Murphy's**

Ben reported that our response to the application has been submitted to Camden, and he also assisted other organisations in preparing their responses. According to the CNJ, 1500 objections have been received (although this might involve slight double counting) and only 14 comments in support. A number of Committee members had also put in individual objections.

The open letter, which was signed by 17 organisations, will appear tomorrow in the CNJ and possibly also the Ham and High.

Ben also reported on the meeting with Murphy's attended by him, Maya and Ellen. The Murphy's team focused on the issue of viability. We offered again to work with them on developing a scheme that all could support, but they said they did not believe we would understand the many constraints on the site.

It was noted that we need to make this an issue in the forthcoming local elections and keep it in the public eye. We should keep in mind that it could set a precedent for the area.

The petition was discussed and approved, subject to adding a sentence along the lines of 'If you agree, please sign below.'

### **Actions:**

- Amend petition as above (Maya)
- Put petition on Change.org (Maya)
- Post petition on our website, with link to the Change.org petition (Jessica)
- Send petition to other organisations we are in contact with and put on social media (all)
- Ask Dan Carrier if he has any national contacts (Ben)

### **Three Point Park**

Catharine had previously reported that the London School of Mosaics had submitted a revised quote that was over three times as expensive as the original quote. This is outside the scope of the CIL allocation and there would be no more CIL funding forthcoming. The Committee agreed that the project to repaint the snakes should proceed, using the CIL allocation for that part of the project and involving Brookfield School.

Actions:

- Inform the LS of Mosaics and Brookfield School of our decision (Catharine)
- Pursue other leads to identify other mosaicists (Catharine, Ben)

### **Mortimer Terrace Nature Reserve**

Emily reported that the Camden property buying team are working on the paperwork to complete the purchase. The deposit has been transferred to the owner, but there is an issue over title to be resolved. It is likely to be several weeks before the transaction is completed. Camden will then transfer title to the Trust.

The status of the lease to Paula Woodman for use as a forest school is unclear, but Camden hope to be able to hand over the property to the Trust without the lease.

We should continue to be discrete about the status of the transaction until it is completed.

### **Highgate Fold**

Ilona reported by email that she has a meeting scheduled for Friday with Spacehive, and will send an update following that.

Action:

- Report on meeting with Spacehive (Ilona)

### **Doynton Street**

Anna had reported on the status of this project by email. She had attended a meeting with relevant Camden officers on site and discussed with them the sketch plan produced by residents. However, there are a number of both practical and regulatory issues with progressing the project. For example, the patch of land is housing land with a little bit of highways-owned perimeter. This means that there are currently no enforcement powers for preventing illegal parking, due to a government ruling some time ago that removed council powers to enforce parking restrictions on housing land. Camden is working to remedy this situation on a Borough-wide basis but that is unlikely to be resolved before the end of the year. In the meantime, Camden can remove abandoned cars and an immediate action from the meeting was to do this. However, a police check of number plates found that most of the cars on the patch are not abandoned.

Overall, there was full agreement on the need to progress improvements. Officers are going to explore how to resolve some of the obstacles and then will come back to consult with the community about what is possible both in terms of practicalities and resources. Anna will update DPNF as soon as she has a further update.

Action:

- Update Committee when further information received from officers (Anna)

### **Other updates**

The reports on trees (from Eileen), planning (from Ellen) and greening (from Catharine) were noted. There were no questions.

**AOB**

**AGM:** Given the shortness of time, the impending local elections and the fact that several other local organisations are having meetings in May, it was agreed to delay the AGM until June. Details will be discussed at the next meeting.