

Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum Minutes of Meeting – 24 Jan 2023

Present: Maya De Souza (chair), Valerie Doulton (vice-chair) Nick Bradfield, Ben Castell, Eileen Wilmott (trees), Fabian Watkinson, Ilona Hay, Jessica Jacobs, Emily O’Mara, Peter Wickenden, Angela Tebe, Joanna van Heyningen,

Apologies: Catharine Wells (greening projects), Kathleen Molnar, Paul Mitchell, Anna Wright, Sian Berry.

	Agenda	Decisions/Actions
1.0	Chair welcome & introductions:	Apologies noted
1.1	All attending - introductions	
1.2	Chair’s report: Pre-circulated note covering committee membership and decisions to be made	Noted
1.3	New Committee Members: Maya explained that a number of new people had started to take part in committees. Proposed that the two new people present at the committee: Angela Tebe and Peter Wickenden be co-opted. They informed the committee of where they lived and their interest in planning issues. Peter W lives in Spencer Rise in the Spencer/Churchill Rd Estate and was a planner before his retirement; Angela Tebe lives on Highgate Rd and works in property management. She is also disabled.	Seconded by various committee members. Agreed by all. Maya/Valerie to email all to confirm the committee membership
1.4	Other changes: Maya confirmed she was stepping down as going to live abroad for a period of time, as yet unknown. She relayed a proposal for Ilona to become the new Chair and Valerie to continue as Vice Chair for a period of 6 months. All agreed to the proposal.	
2.	Previous Minutes	Approved
3.	Planning Issues	
3.1	Local Plan Review: Deadline for comments is Friday 27 Jan. All to send comments on Maya’s draft circulated, by Thursday 6pm 26 Jan.	All to comment on circulated draft

	<p>Ben noted that there may not be a consensus on all areas in relation to sustainability</p> <p>It that is the case, then the submission should note that this is the opinion of the subgroup/ the individuals in this group sign for those comments.</p>	<p>Maya/Energy-sub group</p>
<p>3.2</p>	<p>Mansfield Road Bowling Club Planning Update. There is a new application in for a carehome. Richard Keep has drafted some comments. The group is to develop/ comment on these, add any extra relevant points. Ben will circulate.</p> <p>As an overview, the footprint is the same as the previous bowling club- which was seen as a positive thing. It is a 4 storey brown brick building with landscaping, 3 tennis courts (1 more than previous club), a community garden (in the area that 1 court would take up), and a play area. A representative from the club at the meeting, a Mr Holt, said that that a community tennis club needs to be greater than 2 courts to work for local leagues. Three minimum are needed for a sustainable lawn tennis club.</p> <p>The consensus was that public access should be maintained, linking to the Plan. As to the question of the introduction of a Carehome, those attending felt that this might be acceptable, if there is an affordable component for Camden residents. Some considered that being a carehome resident in a residential area might be good for the residents who would be more connected to the community. But not all so this as the best use of the site. There was some discussion on impact in respect of traffic and parking, though one attendee said there were few visitors to the one he visited but this may have been of a smaller size.</p>	<p>Richard Keep – has been asked to submit a simple set of comments along the lines already written.</p> <p>All to send comments.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Projects</p>	
	<p>Highgate Fold Update. Measurement survey and drawings complete. Surveyor to be paid out of CIL funds, as allocated. IH to remind all of CIL allocation.</p>	

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5.	Meetings	
5.1	Chair and Vice Chair proposed that committee meetings occur every two months, but this is dependent on subgroup/project meetings occurring in the month between allowing progress made on actions and reported back to committee. All agreed.	All to note
5.2	Next Committee meeting to be on or about the third week of March. These are to be in person.	All to note
5.3	Subgroup/ project meetings to occur in February. Method of meeting to be agreed within the groups.	All to note
6.	Closing Moved straight to DPNF/DPT talk on Energy & Sustainability, to be given by Anna Woodeson and Tanuja Pandit.	