

DARTMOUTH PARK NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2015, 7.30PM

HIGHGATE ROAD CHAPEL

MINUTES AND ACTION POINTS

PRESENT

Ellen Gates (by Skype)
Ben Castell
Ann Smyth
Catharine Wells
Chris Harrison
Eileen Willmott
Kay Hughes
Kelly Pawlyn
Nick Bradfield
Patrick Lefevre
Valerie Doulton

In Attendance: Frances Winter

Apologies

Grace Catenaccio
Jessica Jacobs
Siân Berry

1 Apologies and Introductions

1.1 Apologies: See above.

1.2 The meeting welcomed Frances Winter. Frances has volunteered to help in relation to the Community Policies in the Plan (see below) and the meeting thanked her for her time and assistance.

2 Minutes of Meeting on 23 September 2015

2.1 Approved subject to correction of paragraph 9.1 to note that Ellen was to write to Kentish Town Neighbourhood Forum, not Camden Council, in relation to the Murphy's site.

- 2.2 Ellen confirmed that she has written to KTNF to explain that DPNF agrees in principle with the preservation of the view towards the Heath across the Murphy's site and with the suggestion that any development of the site should be for mixed use but that DPNF reserves its rights to comment further when it has developed its own policies in relation to the site.

3 Plan: Discussion on Community Policies CM1-CM3

- 3.1 The meeting spent c.1 hour discussing the wording of the Community Policies, CM1-CM3, in the draft Plan.

ACTION: Ellen will circulate a revised version of Community Policies CM1-CM3, incorporating the wording discussed and agreed in the meeting.

- 3.2 The meeting noted that the Appendix to these Policies will be a crucial part of the Policies and that it will need to be comprehensive to ensure that all the relevant community facilities are identified and listed. The Appendix will be drafted in conjunction with the ongoing work being carried out by the sub-groups of the Committee.

4 CIL allocation

- 4.1 The meeting discussed the list produced by Kay which identifies possible candidates for funding from the Community Infrastructure Levy. The intention is to identify projects to be passed on to the Councillors so that they may be submitted to the Council, as the submissions to the Council have to be given by early January 2016.

- 4.2 The meeting went through the list to narrow it to projects which appear to fall within the ambit of what CIL may cover. The meeting agreed that the list should be submitted to the community through a Survey Monkey.

ACTION:

- Kay to circulate an updated version of the list to the Committee for any further comments.
- Kay then to send the list to the Council to check whether the projects fall within the ambit of CIL and then, if necessary, to revise the list.
- The list to be published on Survey Monkey and notified to the Community through the website and by email.

5 Plan: Actions and responsibilities

- 5.1 The meeting noted the work that is ongoing in relation to the actions and responsibilities discussed previously. The meeting noted in particular the work by Nick, Ann, Catharine, Siân and Patrick on Local Centres and by Nick

on the Heath, and the documents that have been produced. Nick has also taken many photographs of the area to illustrate particular sites, streetscapes and views.

ACTION:

- If possible, Patrick and Siân to add their input to the Local Centres document in time for the next Committee meeting on 2 November 2015.
- Kelly to upload Nick's photographs to the website.

6 Committee membership

6.1 **Co-optees:** David Kohn and Michael Pawlyn have confirmed that they will try to come to the meeting at which the Committee will discuss the Environmental Policies in the draft Plan. This is likely to be the next but one meeting.

6.2 **Declarations of Interest:** Grace, Kay, Patrick, Sally, Siân and Valerie are to provide their Declarations of Interest.

ACTION: Grace, Kay, Patrick, Sally, Siân and Valerie to provide Declarations.

7 Funding

7.1 This should be received soon, into DPNF's bank account, in the amount of £1,010.

8 Website / Social Media

8.1 Kelly has been updating the website and will keep it up to date with minutes of meetings, dates of meetings, interesting posts and comments and so forth.

9 Camden and Islington Strategic Housing Market Assessment

9.1 Camden and Islington wish to have an interview in relation to their strategic housing market assessment. Kay has offered to deal with this.

10 Update on outstanding issues

10.1 **LA Fitness swimming pool:** The meeting noted that the LA Fitness centre is changing hands and that the new owners do not intend to keep the swimming pool. The meeting felt that, as DPNF, it could not itself make any comment on this as the pool is an asset in private ownership in a private club, but that DPNF could be a forum for comments on this by the community through the website or tweets.

- 10.2 **Mortimer Terrace Nature Reserve:** The meeting was very concerned at the threat to the Nature Reserve and wished to find out more and to investigate whether there may a possibility of a community-funded purchase of the site through a community company.

ACTION:

- Patrick to contact the London Wildlife Trust to see what is being planned for a meeting with the owners of the site later this month. Post-meeting note: To check with Sally whether she is already in contact with the Trust.
- Ben to contact Locality to see whether they can offer any help with setting up a company and whatever other structures may be needed. Post-meeting note: Siân also has contacts which can assist with this.
- Eileen to be involved too from the perspective of preservation of the trees.

- 10.3 **Swain's Lane:** Valerie will check with John Slater, of the Swain's Lane Residents' Association, for an update.

ACTION: Valerie to check with John Slater.

- 10.4 **Dartmouth Arms:** It appears that there was a meeting on 13 October 2015. DPNF does not have details but will try to find out what happened.

11 Future meetings

- 11.1 The next meeting is on **Monday 2 November 2015, 7.30pm** at **Highgate Newton Community Centre**. It will discuss in particular the Centres and Employment Policies in the draft Plan – see the Action Point at 5.1 above.

12 AOB

- 12.1 Frances offered to look further at the draft Plan and to offer any comments from her particular experience of community matters.