

## Harlesden Neighbourhood Forum Committee Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017 DRAFT MINUTES

<b>Date and time of meeting:</b>	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2017, 6.30 – 8.00pm
<b>Location:</b>	Newman Catholic College, Harlesden
<b>Attending:</b>	Leao Neto (LN), Paul Anders (PA), Atara Fridler (AF), Nick Jones (NJ), Ricky Gardner (RG), Susan Grace (SG), Megan Lewis (ML)
<b>Apologies:</b>	SG arrival 7:30pm

### Meeting notes

Agenda item	Discussion (Key discussion points and agreed points)	Actions	Status
1.	<p><b>Welcome / Introduction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LN welcomed all</li> <li>Minutes of May meeting adopted</li> </ul>		
2.	<p><b>Neighbourhood Plan pre-submission consultation response update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ML: Updates committee on progress with consultation responses and next steps – following meeting with planning consultant Ken (KH). Including key discussion points prior to completing stakeholder meetings and drafting a full response.</li> <li>LN &amp; PA: Suggest Committee discuss the key points and raise with KH over summer (prior to KH providing final recommendations for Plan amendments in September /October)</li> <li>AF: Supports Ken’s advice at this stage</li> <li>All agree to go through the key areas and make actions accordingly</li> <li>Royal Mail Site: Regarding mixed response to it’s inclusion in the NP, all agree to discuss further with KH, potential to approach RM again and clarify HNF vision for uses of the site, the RM service and the surrounding street in the NP.</li> <li>Bus Garage: AF summarises meeting with OPDC about site in the NP and draft Local Plan – Active vs Positive frontage and push for a good standard of mitigation if site entrance cannot be relocated, potential for fringe funding for Harlesden (Good Growth by Design). LN suggests arranging a meeting and walkabout with Victoria CEO OPDC. PA suggests Cllr Butt to be invited also.</li> <li>Willesden Junction (WJ) station: CG explains difficulty in developing north and west side of the station and associated cost. LN &amp; PA discuss alternative options to OPDC draft LP by building upwards and over the station and agree it should not be a money-saving decision but one that benefits Harlesden. AF suggests Brent are keen to see N &amp; W development and committee should meet with Brent. CG notes upcoming OPDC transport consultation. Discussion about potential difficulties in delivering vision due to viability, housing market. Suggestion that current OPDC draft Local Plan for WJ and Old Oak high st may regenerate Harrow Road to Park Parade Crossroads.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee arrange to meet with Ken to discuss key areas in August</li> <li>Megan to arrange with Victoria – CEO of OPDC and KH a visit to the Station road sites (Royal Mail, Bus Garage, and Willesden Junction) and also Cllr Butt and Director for Regeneration in Brent Amar Dave</li> <li>Megan arrange meeting with Brent and KH regarding WJ development</li> <li>CG report back on OPDC transport session</li> <li>ML to liaise with KH and Brent regarding urban design support</li> </ul>	<p>13<sup>th</sup> Sept meeting</p> <p>Awaiting date</p> <p>No longer applicable</p> <p>Ongoing</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Harlesden Plaza (HP): LN summarises response to consultation on Plaza – inc. possible misinterpretation of survey question, uncertainty that it is the best place – possibility of having ‘town sq’ on high street. NJ explains the need for a visual illustration of vision for HP town sq. CG suggests may need to explore ownership and potential developer interest further. LN suggests further car parking study also. Agreement that further consultation is needed on HP site including: Density, housing, car parking, access etc.</li> <li>ML suggests further consultation regarding tall buildings and design principles – to work with Brent urban designer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ML to liaise with committee and KH and arrange focussed consultation workshops regarding WJ, HP, design + tall buildings/ density.</li> </ul>	19 <sup>th</sup> september
3.	<p><b>Committee roles and strategy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following roles are agreed: Nick overseeing Communications, Paul and Atara on community housing (Paul lead), Planning and environment champions (Colin and Nick), Community Voice + influence (Susan, Leao + Megan – Susan lead, Ricky to be involved accordingly) Community + Economic development (Atara, Ricky + Nick – Ricky to lead, Paul &amp; Susan to be involved accordingly)</li> <li>Agreement that forum members can be engaged with in each area also.</li> <li>LN states area lead will draft up a program following Forum General Meeting.</li> <li>LN states Leroy Simpson interest in coming on board as community advisory role. All welcomed Leroy Simpson’s offer as additional support to disseminate Forum information.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working area lead to draft up a workable program following General Meeting</li> <li>ML/ LN - Introductory meeting with Leroy Simpson to be arranged</li> </ul>	<p>Update needed</p> <p>In progress</p>
4.	<p><b>Other business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bank account: All agree 3 signatories being PA, AF and LN</li> <li>RG has paperwork from OPDC event to circulate</li> <li>All agree to invite Peter Farnham and KH to Forum meeting in Early September regarding OPDC draft Local Plan consultation on relevant Harlesden NP areas</li> <li>LN updates on Stonebridge NP area boundary and our clear position against changing our boundaries – all agree</li> <li>Potential for fracking nearby mentioned but agreed not in our area and likely to be opposed as local MP strongly against – no action.</li> <li>CG explains the phonebox proposal for high street and will request business case</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PA to sort bank application</li> <li>RG circulate OPDC paperwork for further reading</li> <li>ML to arrange date for early Sept Forum meeting and invite Peter Farnham and KH</li> <li>CG to request more info on the phonebox proposal</li> </ul>	<p>Update needed</p> <p>Done</p> <p>Now to be in October</p> <p>More info needed to take steps</p>
5.	<p><b>General meeting agenda</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee agree to high-level overview of consultation response</li> <li>Leroy Simpson to give an update on Xmas lights project</li> <li>NJ suggests update on tree planting project and 7<sup>th</sup> October community day</li> <li>CJ to mention phonebox proposal and our response to show activity and mention OPDC Local Plan consultation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ML to organise General Meeting</li> </ul>	Complete
6.	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF mentions Anglia Ruskin University Study about resilient communities in Harlesden</li> <li>SG to collate bios and pictures and update website over summer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AF to circulate information about the study to committee</li> <li>Committee send bios and SG website update</li> </ul>	<p>Complete</p> <p>Update needed</p>