

## Harlesden Neighbourhood Forum: showcase and Q&A notes – April 2019

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| <b>Date and time of event</b> | 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2019   |
| <b>Location:</b>              | Tavistock Hall  |
| <b>Purpose of event:</b>      | Showcasing the Colourful wayfinding ('Harlesden Journeys') competition winners and entries, info and Q&A about the Harlesden Neighbourhood Plan |

### Notes

1. Paul Anders and Megan Lewis introduce the Harlesden Neighbourhood Plan
2. PA presents the journey so far
3. ML presents what happens next with the Plan referendum
4. ML and PA host a Q&A:

**Q1** : What does the Neighbourhood Plan do? Is it in relation to the OPDC?

ML explains that the OPDC development is important as it poses risks to Harlesden, but the Harlesden Neighbourhood Plan has been put together to stand up in its own right and for existing local need, not simply in response to potential local development. PA states HNF have been involved in the development of the OPDC Local Plan and attending recent hearings. Inputting to the OPDC alongside production of the Plan. HNF has put pressure on in relation to the Station Road connection

**Comment:** The more people who vote the better – it will show we have a bigger voice. Developers can't ignore us if we turn out in numbers – good for local housing issues.

**Q2:** If the focus is on the Old Oak connection, what about Harrow Road?

ML explains the Plan also includes requirement to improve both access routes from the town centre to WJ station

**Q3:** How much is in the Neighbourhood CIL pot?

ML and CG note there is quite a lot coming from portions of the Wembley developments. If the Plan is made, Harlesden gets access to 25% of the funds from local development rather than 15%.

**Comment:** This is a key selling point for the referendum campaign!

**Discussion:** Attendees commit to different kinds of support and publicity for the Plan referendum ML confirms HNF will be in touch to organise