

<b>Date and time of meeting:</b>	22nd June 2024, 11..00 am – 1 pm
<b>Location:</b>	Roundwood park - Nature Connection Centre
<b>Attending:</b>	<p><b>Trustees/staff:</b> Chair; Sandra White (SW); ; Amandine Alexandre (AA); Jose Trueba(JT) Ilaria Esposito – Coordinator (IE) Planning Team Colin George (CG), Philip Fry (PF), Colin Dallas (CD) Nathan Georgis (NG)</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Sally’s scooters, We restart Charity, Forest and families, Jumbo Chan, Matt Kelcher, Mili Patel (Councillors for Harlesden and Kensal green)</p> <p><b>Other attendees and residents:</b> 36 plus 38 attending activities in the nature connection centre of which 15 were members</p>
<b>Apologies:</b>	Gavin Bond (GB)Julieta Galarza (JG);

**Harlesden Neighbourhood Forum – Public Meeting**

	Minutes	Actions
1	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b></p> <p>Once registered, attendees had 30 minutes to visit the different tables around the nature connection centre and the edible garden, talk to the consortium members coordinated by the Forum, and engage in talks concerning projects and developments in which the Forum is involved.</p> <p>Residents could join different activities to make the area around the Nature Connection Centre welcoming for all ages and inviting more people to join in the vision shared by the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SW welcomed everyone, introduced herself as Chair, and thanked everyone for joining the meeting.</li> </ul>	<p>Liaise with the Planning Department at LLB and CL</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SW went through the agenda of the meeting.</li> <li>• SW introduced the rest of the trustees.</li> <li>• HHAZ 1000 years of Harlesden project merchandise and celebration was available for members to take (possibly with a voluntary donation to fundraise the next round) and enquire about involvement in the project. All winners were celebrated and received prizes.</li> <li>• The Chair reported on the forum's work on green spaces, such as Tubbs Road Pocket Park and its vision for Roundwood Park to become the hub for green neighbourhood activities. The council shared this vision, and the forum encouraged more members to get involved. Working in Consortium to improve the place where we live is paramount.</li> <li>• Two residents asked about the adjacent bowling green, the plans, and why Continental Landscape has not consulted the community. The chair responded that conversations are happening for the community to be involved in the decision and the volunteering group.</li> </ul>	
2	<p><b>Amendment to the constitution - Trustees' appointment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SW explained the procedures set out in the constitution: one-third of the trustees stand down every year. The membership then votes for the appointment of new trustees and the reappointment of any trustees who have stood down but wish to stand again.</li> <li>• SW explained that the Forum Constitution says that the Reappointment of trustees</li> </ul> <p><i>17.1 Any person who retires as a trustee by rotation or by giving notice to the CIO is eligible for reappointment. A trustee who has served for three consecutive terms may not be reappointed for a fourth consecutive term but may be reappointed for one more term after an interval of at least three years.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SW explained that changing the constitution would allow the Forum to be sustainable and in time to become a Development, Trust. Currently, the forum has a low number of trustees, and it has been challenging to recruit them. SW explained that a couple of members have enquired about the Organisation's sustainability in terms of trustees, which brought to a reflection concerning the constitution being limiting when there is no crowd applying for trustees' positions. We should discuss possible changes regarding trustees stepping down to keep the organisation safe.</li> <li>• SW explained the changes in article 17.1 and invited the members to ask questions and then vote for changing article 17.1, which was confirmed unanimously by a show of hands. A quorum was present for the vote to take place.</li> </ul>	<p>IE to communicate the change to the Charity Commission.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only full members can vote so we checked with our constitution section 11.5.2</li> </ul> <p><i>New article 17.1 Any person who retires as a trustee by rotation or by giving notice to the CIO is eligible for reappointment. A trustee who has served for three consecutive terms can be reappointed for another 3 consecutive terms. After this, they can be reappointed for three consecutive terms after an interval of two years.</i></p>	
3.	<p>Q&amp;A time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delivered informally in the networking space to allow more space for residents to ask questions</li> </ul>	
4.	<p>Networking continued till 3 pm.</p> <p>AOB and the next meeting</p> <p>The dates of future meetings will be on the website shortly. The next Forum meeting is scheduled <b>for September date</b> TBC</p>	

Minutes approved on 24/07/2024

Sandra White



Chair of Trustees

