Harlesden Neighbourhood Forum: Spring General Meeting Minutes – 20th March 2018

Date and time of meeting:	20 th March 2018, 6:30pm – 8:15pm
Location:	Tavistock Hall, Harlesden
Attending:	Harlesden Neighbourhood Forum Committee: Leao Neto – HNF Chair; Atara Fridler – Co-vice Chair (AF); Paul Anders – Treasurer (PA); Megan
	Lewis – Secretary & Coordinator (ML); Colin George (CG); Nick Jones (NJ)
	Guests: Grace Williams - OPDC; Grace Nelson – Harlesden Town Centre Manager; Fiona Mulaisho – Clean Air for Brent; Gabriel Parfitt and Patrick
	Weber – Harlesden Town Garden Club house; Leroy Simpson – Community Liaison Officer and Festival Lights project coordinator; Davina Robers
	– Punch and Juicy
	Other attendees: 15
Apologies:	Susan Grace (Committee)

Item	Minutes	Actions
1	Welcome & Introductions (AF)	
	LN welcomes all attendees	
	LN gives update on actions from last general meeting, attendees agree and adopt the meeting minutes	
2	HNF updates	• Forum
	- ML explains Neighbourhood Plan activity – Draft available shortly on HNF website, and Submission version to be showcased in next few weeks	showcase event to be arranged
	 LN introduces other committee members for quick updates on other activity: AF – HNF working towards charity incorporation & call for expertise, LN – HNF taking further steps with issue of the OPDC are connection to WJ station and station road. PA – Community Led Housing progress with a local volunteer – starting with looking at council owned land list. NJ – explains next steps for tree planting. ML – How we work with Community rep volunteers. CG – responding to relevant planning issues, inc. new phone kiosks. ML explains how we store and people's contact details LN welcomes questions 	to cover all proposed revisions from consultation responses in due course
	 Q1: How do HNF respond to planning issues, i.e. with Manor Park Works? CG: We are beginning to get more direct connections with planning department and building our knowledge of how to liaise most effectively – including plan to pursue matters directly with the planning officers. 	Meeting attendees to spread the word
	 Q2: Attendee asks where the draft plan can be found. ML: It's available via the HNF website www.Harlesdenneighbourhoodforum.com Q3: Understanding of data protection laws (GDPR) is that groups must ask members to opt in to mailing list (Expectation that numbers will go down. ML: Explains committee member Colin George has a GDPR training certificate and we'll take the necessary steps in due course. Requests: ML and LN put call out for designers to come forward for Harlesden Plaza sketches LN: HNF AGM - Date announced as 24th April and explains committee role and welcomes questions LN explains time for further questions at the end 	to local people with design skills • HNF to pursue GDPR requirements
3	 Clean Air for Brent LN introduces Fiona Mulaisho from CAfB collective FM introduces air pollution statistics and who CAfB are and what they're doing to raise with councillors and mobilising people Q1: What should residents ask Brent to do? FM – Make the case for more information sharing and transparency and ask all leaders to put the issue at the top of their agenda 	ML to circulate CAfB details via HNF membership

	 Q2: There's an issue of moving the problem around when only certain areas have focussed campaigns. FM – Longer term habits need addressing and general awareness raising is essential 	
	Q3: Anything being done about heating systems such as wood-burning stoves – issue not just about traffic. FM: the group aims to raise	
	awareness about this issue as well	
	FM encourages attendees to sign up and stay active	
4	Leroy Simpson- Community Liaison Officer update	
	- Summarises the positive actions happening in Harlesden, including around 150 people volunteering their time regularly.	
	- Updates on positive successes and plans for future including a regular social discussion group.	
5.	Harlesden Town Garden Club House	
	- Gabriel Parfitt (HTG chair) introduces HTG progress, including CIL funding for a club house	
	- Patrick Weber, local architect delivers presentation on plans for the club house and how it will be used for the community	
	- Flyers were available to find out more about other HTG activity	
6.	Grace Williams - OPDC	- HNF to invite
	- GW runs through the OPDC's Early activation funding – 'Great Place scheme'. Presents early ideas for cultural programs and the Good	OPDC to run
	Growth fund which will work to connect WJ with Harlesden Town Centre and projects further.	workshop for
	- Q: There is a problem with too many agencies being involved in WJ Station. GW: agrees it's difficult and there is bigger masterplanning work	relevant
	underway, explains how the early activation projects will help steer the wider development	schemes
7.	HNF CIL Projects	
	- ML announces success in two CIL funding applications. Gives overview of the Youth Forum and the 'colourful wayfinding' banner project.	
	- ML invites attendees to respond to questions about the banner design in consultation activity at the end of the meeting.	
7	AOB:	- HNF to circulate
	Grace Nelson (Harlesden town center manager) gives brief update on progress and promotes the Brent Town Centres consultation.	the Brent Town
	Davina Roberts from local social enterprise Punch and Juicy gives update on their work and call out for volunteers and young people for training	Centres
		consultation &
		Punch and Juicy
		details via
		mailing list