DECISIONS OF THE FINCHLEY & GOLDERS GREEN AREA ENVIRONMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

14 March 2012

SUB-COMMITTEE:

*Councillor Graham Old (Chairman)
*Councillor Dean Cohen BSc (Hons) (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors:

* Geof Cooke

Lord Palmer OBE, BA, FCA

* Ross Houston

Daniel Seal

*denotes Member present

Also in attendance:

Councillor Colin Rogers

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the decisions of the meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 23 January 2012 be agreed as a correct record.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Lord Palmer and Councillor Daniel Seal.

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no public questions.

4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (Agenda Item 4)

There were no declarations.

5. MEMBERS' ITEM

There were no members' items.

6. ROAD TRAFFIC PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENT CLUSTERS – DATA ANALYSIS

RESOLVED THAT

- (1) The Sub-Committee notes the contents of the report.
- (2) Priority attention be given to pursuing actions as set out in the report on clusters 1, 13 and 24, and that all "quick win" actions should be pursued where practicable, including addressing specific points on de-cluttering (cluster 19) and obscured visibility (cluster 23).
- (3) A report on the outcome of the investigation into "quick wins" be brought to the next meeting of the Sub-Committee.

7. ITEM REFERRED FROM FINCHLEY AND GOLDERS GREEN RESIDENTS FORUM OF 14 MARCH 2012

The Sub-Committee received the below item, which had been referred to the Sub-Committee by the Chairman of the Finchley and Golders Green Residents Forum.

Issue No.	Details
Issue 2 (Finchley and Golders Green Residents Forum of 14 March 2012)	Requesting the council to close the end of Beechwood Avenue (junction of A406) in an endeavour to stop the spate of burglaries and serious assaults. The road functions as a conduit between Regents park Road and the North Circular thereby facilitating an escape route for thieves.

Following discussion and consideration of this item, the Sub-Committee:

RESOLVED THAT:- The Interim Director of Environment Planning and Regeneration be instructed to investigate the feasibility of closing Beechwood Avenue to traffic at the junction with the A406, and that a report on the outcome be brought to the next appropriate meeting of the Sub-Committee.

8. CHAIRMAN'S URGENT LATE ITEM OF BUSINESS – REFERENCE FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The representative of the Interim director of Environment, Planning and Regeneration provided the Sub Committee with a report and draft decision relating to a petition signed by 2,300 residents submitted to the council in relation to pedestrian safety in East Finchley. The Sub-Committee also took into account the discussion in relation to pedestrian safety guard railing in the area covered by the petition, which was issue 7 of the Finchley and Golders Green Residents Forum meeting and which had been referred to the Sub-Committee by the Chairman of the Forum

Ms Burnham, a local resident and sponsor of the petition, addressed the Sub-Committee on this item.

RESOLVED THAT:-

- (1) The committee notes the report, draft decisions and comments made by Ms Burnham.
- (2) Officers from the Environment, Planning and Regeneration Service note the comments of the Sub-Committee, including ensuring that all issues are considered (including the guardrailing) and engage in consultation with residents as appropriate.

9. VERBAL UPDATES

Highways Planned Maintenance works programme for Finchley Golders Green area

The latest outturn information on the 2011/12 works programme was tabled, and officers undertook to liaise directly with the Vice Chairman on his various queries.

Bus stop on the 382 route towards Finchley Central in Summers Lane N12 near Sunny Way

The scheme is proposed to be included in the 2012/13 LIP funded programme, and it was agreed that ward councilors would be informed of the outcome.

Lower end of the The Vale, Golders Green, NW11 - Donoghues

The issue of weight restriction continues to be investigated.

The Council's Area Supervisor is continuing to monitor Donoghues cleaning activity and it was agreed to provide the days of cleaning by Donoghues and the council to ward Councillors.

Parking pressures in non Controlled Parking Zones (CPZ) sections of Hampstead Way, NW11

The Consultation process with residents has been slightly delayed but will take place in 2012.

Mini-roundabout at the junction of Rosemary Avenue, Manor View, Squires Lane and Station Road

This continues to be investigated and will be reported to the Sub-Committee at its next meeting.

Road Safety around Moss Hall School

As requested by the Sub-Committee a site meeting with Head Teachers and others took place in February and officers are considering carefully how to address the various issues raised, through the development of a holistic scheme.

The meeting started at 7.00pm and ended at 8.20pm.