

## HENDON RESIDENTS FORUM

Tuesday 18 January 2010 6:30pm

Sangam Community Centre, 210 Burnt Oak Broadway, Edgware, HA8 0AP

### Action/Update Note

Chairman: \*Councillor John Hart  
Vice-Chairman: \*Councillor Sury Khatri

\*Denotes Councillor Present

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<p><b>Before the issues were discussed residents raised concerns that policing resources may be reduced locally. A PCO representing Burnt Oak safer neighbourhood team confirmed that no resources had not been reduced.</b></p>		
<p>1. Joint letter of representation received regarding highways issues in Chilton Road and Manor Park Crescent.</p> <p><b>Mr Bearman</b></p> <p>It was noted that this junction was very dangerous with poor visibility due to the parked cars. Local residents also suggested that emergency services may not have access to this road.</p>	<p>Whilst, officers original considerations and conclusions were valid in context of actual problems witnessed and potential impact in the surrounding area of introducing restrictions etc, given the concerns reiterated by the association the parking and crossing requests will be revisited to see what can be achieved.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b> <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>Having considered the request further, it has been agreed that a proposal for double yellow lines at the junction of Chilton Road and Manor Park Crescent should be progressed, although the ongoing request for loading restrictions along the same lengths have not as yet been considered justified. Notwithstanding this, officers are amenable to carrying out regular monitoring of the location as part of their routine visits across the borough – although visits to date have been inconclusive in relation to the underlying concern of disabled blue badge holders being parked at the junction.</p> <p>Unfortunately progress to date has been affected by the recent departure of two members of staff in the Design Team, and the remaining staff concentrating on ongoing priority work streams, however it is envisaged that internal approval for the double yellow lines will be sought in March, with the</p>

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			<p>necessary statutory consultation taking place shortly thereafter, with a view to implementing the restrictions in April should there be a satisfactory outcome to the statutory process, although should objections be received, further delays may occur.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
2 a.	<p>Barnet and District Bee Keepers Association</p> <p>Since asking related questions on the correct time of year for the use of herbicides on the Brent Reservoir (Welsh Harp) at the Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee further information is available.</p> <p>Honey bees have an economic value of at least 16 million to horticulture and agriculture industry and as a pollinating nearer 200m nationally.</p> <p>Some insecticides such as phyrethroids carry bee risk warning while nociotinoides for the use of which has been lowered in France and Germany but is still permitted here for unknown reasons.</p> <p>Will the authority now a publication has been produced jointly by the national framers union, the crop protection association and the British bee keepers association undertake to take the lead in the circulation and directives to all there</p>	<p>Legislation and best practice guidance are followed when undertaking operations in relation the application of herbicide and are disseminated to the operational greenspaces teams.</p> <p>The Council is not in a position to lead in relaying this information to other organisations. Any relevant publications and requirements in relation to herbicides are circulated to the relevant bodies, land owners etc by DEFRA</p> <p><b>Jenny Warren</b>  <a href="mailto:Parks@barnet.gov.uk">Parks@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>It may not be satisfaction but it is not the Council's role to police the LBB and we have to focus our resources on the highest priority issues and core business. Of which this is not.</p> <p><b>Jenny Warren</b>  <a href="mailto:Parks@barnet.gov.uk">Parks@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>

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b.	<p>ground maintenance teams as well as other farms and land owners within the London Borough of Barnet.</p> <p>In accordance with this publication will the Council also undertake the communication to other authorities which border with Barnet and also spread the important publicity on the Councils Website and any other means?</p> <p><b>Clive Cohen</b>  <b>London Wildlife Trust – Barnet Group</b>  Barnet and District Bee Keepers Association</p> <p>In view so far of the undisclosed massive cost of the snow conditions this year &amp; as well as last year. Is the London Borough of Barnet planning to spend resources on adequate snow clearing equipment in order to prevent a repeat of the same problems?</p> <p><b>Clive Cohen</b></p>	<p>The Council's cost for the provision of this year's winter gritting service is currently estimated at £622K. This is based on an average winter for the remaining season. The actual cost for this service last year was £654K.</p> <p>The provision of the Council's gritting service is regularly reviewed and reported to Council Committees. In July –August 2009, as part of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny arrangements, a Task and Finish Group made up of all party Councillors, was specifically set up to review the Council's winter gritting service. The results of this review were reported to Cabinet.</p> <p>The lease of the Council's fleet of 9 gritting vehicles is due to expire in November 2011. Officers will be carrying another review of this year's winter gritting service looking in particular at the provision of winter gritting vehicles and the options available for</p>	<p>No further update</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>

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3. a)	<p><b>Queens Road / Brent Street Junction NW4</b></p> <p>The roundabout needs to be upgraded and raised. Can signs be installed to encourage smooth follow of traffic?</p>	<p>purchasing or leasing gritting vehicles for the next winter season 2011/12. The review will also consider the Council's salt storage facilities and the lessons learned from the current winter season. The results of this review are expected to be reported to the Director's Group in March 2011.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>It is not clear from the question what the actual problem is considered to be, however the operation of the junction will be reviewed in terms of capacity optimisation and safety with appropriate action being taken if necessary.</p>	<p>On-going review of the junction is being carried out to ascertain whether the current concerns are reflected in the actual operation of the roundabout or whether they are perceived concerns. Issues such as accidents, signage and driver behaviour will be gauged.</p>
b)	<p>During the weekend of 8/9 January there was a part closure of the junction of the A406 / Brent Street. This created traffic problems. Can motorists have advanced warnings of road closures?</p> <p><b>Sydney Nathan</b></p>	<p>Whenever, works are instigated by Barnet Highway Engineers the contractor is instructed to install advanced warning signs. However, much of the works carried out on the public highway are not instructed by council engineers, but are carried out by the various Utility Companies and their contractors. Some of these works are carried out at very short notice as they are deemed to be emergencies and as such there is not always the opportunity to install advanced warning signs.</p> <p>The works referred too were arranged by TfL as it related to the trunk road network. It is normal practice for TfL to arrange for advance warning signs prior to works commencing. We will investigate with colleagues at TfL to find out why this did not occur on this occasion.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>Instruction has also been given to refresh all markings on the approach to and on the roundabout to assist in providing greater driver clarity</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>The Council's Response to Cold Weather Task and Finish Group can be accessed via the following link:</p> <p><a href="http://committeepapers.barnet.gov.uk/democracy/meetings/meetingdetail.asp?meetingid=6148">http://committeepapers.barnet.gov.uk/democracy/meetings/meetingdetail.asp?meetingid=6148</a></p> <p>The Task and Finish Group recommended undertaking a pilot project for 'community grit keepers' whereby a local resident receives a supply of grit and snow removal equipment and distributes this to neighbours during severe</p>

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			<p>weather, thereby allowing them to clear a particular street. Any enquiries relating to this scheme should be directed to Chris Chrysostomou  <a href="mailto:chris.chrysostomou@barnet.gov.uk">chris.chrysostomou@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Residents can submit requests for grit bins. Environment &amp; Operations assess these against technical criteria set out in the Winter Service Policy and Operational Plan.</p> <p>Additionally, Environment &amp; Operations delivered a presentation (Winter Maintenance Programme Presentation) to the Chipping Barnet Residents Forum on 17 January 2011 that can be accessed via the following link (which includes legal advice):-  <a href="http://committeepapers.barnet.gov.uk/democracy/meetings/meetingdetail.asp?meetingid=6178">http://committeepapers.barnet.gov.uk/democracy/meetings/meetingdetail.asp?meetingid=6178</a></p> <p><b>Andrew Charlwood</b>  <a href="mailto:Andrew.charlwood@barnet.gov.uk">Andrew.charlwood@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
4. a)	What is the Council's opinion of the consequences for staying on rates of the cut in Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)	<p>The Educational Maintenance Allowance, a payment made to 16- 18 year olds to support their participation in education or training is ending for new applicants in England from January 2011. This payment has been means tested for students in post 16 full time education, but awarded without means testing for those in Foundation Learning (also known as E2E) with various training providers. EMA payments are also usually related to the attendance and punctuality of the learner.</p> <p>Students who currently receive EMA will continue to</p>	No further update

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	<p>receive it for the remainder of this academic year, but not for next.</p> <p>It is possible that the cessation of the EMA could result in some disengagement in education and training for 16-18 year olds, with an associated increase in the unemployment rate for young people (NEET). It is also possible that there will be an impact on young people from low income households, without a financial incentive to enter education, or training courses. There could be an increase in drop-out rates from current students on two year programmes.</p> <p>Connexions Personal Advisers are available to provide advice and support to students who have the EMA withdrawn, or to new students who may need support to study.</p> <p><i>New Discretionary Support Funds</i> are intended to meet special needs and circumstances of learners aged 16 or over who can't reasonably be covered by other forms of help. Colleges will determine priority groups and maximum amounts they award. The funds are prioritised for those who face financial hardship. They can be used to help with: financial hardship and emergencies; childcare costs (for Ofsted-registered childcare); accommodation costs, for those who have to study further than the maximum distance from home; essential course-related equipment, materials and field trips; travel costs (for over 18s).</p> <p>From 2013, all 17 year olds will be required to participate in education or training; from 2015 this</p>	

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b)	What is happening about the future of the Watling Boys club building	<p>will rise to 18 year olds.</p> <p><b>Flo Armstrong</b>  <a href="mailto:Flo.armstrong@barnet.gov.uk">Flo.armstrong@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Previous attempts to dispose of the freehold interest in the site failed to reach to fruition due to environmental issues and the subsequent decline in the property market. A re-marketing campaign has been undertaken and a number of bids have been submitted. These will be reported to the next meeting of Cabinet Resources Committee, together with details of proposals received from community organisations.</p> <p><b>Judith Ellis</b>  <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>The report was withdrawn as further information was required, and is being resubmitted to Cabinet Resources Committee on 28<sup>th</sup> March. All offers and expressions of interest will be reported including a community facility. Whilst there has been initial interest from the community for re use as a boys club, no formal proposals have been received.</p> <p><b>Judith Ellis</b>  <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
c)	What is happening about the future of the former Child Guidance building on North Rd estate, Burnt Oak	<p>The site was previously included in the Watling Car Park site which is being pursued for development. This area has now been excluded from the main site, and is being marketed separately for development.</p> <p><b>Judith Ellis</b>  <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>Planning permission was granted in October 2005 for the “Demolition of Child Guidance Centre and Merrivale and erection of a new 3-storey building on the Child Guidance Centre site to provide a 60 bed care home and 20 place day care centre, with associated parking and landscaping and re-grading and landscaping of existing Merrivale site”.</p> <p>Planning permission has since expired and it should be noted that any new development on this site would need to satisfy Environment Agency requirements.</p> <p><b>Heidi Euzger</b>  <a href="mailto:Heidi.euzger@barnet.gov.uk">Heidi.euzger@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>The pre- disposal works are completed and a report to Cabinet Resources Committee recommending disposal is being prepared and</p>

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d)	<p>What tenancies will be offered to existing tenants when they are rehoused as part of the regeneration schemes</p>	<p>Existing secure tenants will be offered another secure tenancy on the regeneration estate where they live or, if they prefer, elsewhere in the borough.</p> <p>Non – secure tenants will be assisted to move into suitable alternative accommodation, which could include a private sector letting or a secure tenancy depending on their circumstances and the availability of property.</p> <p><b>Paul Shipway</b> <a href="mailto:Paul.shipway@barnet.gov.uk">Paul.shipway@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>is scheduled for April CRC.</p> <p><b>Judith Ellis</b> <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>No further response.</p> <p><b>Paul Shipway</b> <a href="mailto:Paul.shipway@barnet.gov.uk">Paul.shipway@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
e)	<p>What is the position concerning the outstanding issues form housing benefit. 'from the last forum still not answered'</p>	<p><i>What assessment has the Council made of the impact of Housing Benefit cuts on local residents' ability to remain in the Borough?</i></p> <p>As previously stated, the Council has carried out modelling of the extent of the reductions in Housing Benefit that are anticipated in Barnet.</p> <p>At this stage, it is difficult to assess whether landlords will be prepared to reduce rents to reflect these changes, and the Council has focused efforts on mitigating the potential impact. This includes developing resources to provide advice, support and mediation to tenants and landlords affected by reductions in benefits.</p> <p>The government has also announced that transitional protection will be provided to existing claimants, who will not have their benefit adjusted</p>	<p>No further response.</p> <p><b>Paul Shipway</b> <a href="mailto:Paul.shipway@barnet.gov.uk">Paul.shipway@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>



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f)	<p>What is happening about the future of the council's allotments?</p>	<p>until the anniversary of their claim.</p> <p>On 29<sup>th</sup> November 2010 the Council's Cabinet approved that a new Big Society allotment model could be explored. Council Officers are currently working through this process which includes an initial workshop on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2011 to scope out with plot holders what an allotment management model may look like. This will then be developed further through a series of working groups to create a model that delivers for both the Council and the allotment plot holders.</p> <p><b>Jenny Warren</b>  <a href="mailto:Parks@barnet.gov.uk">Parks@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>Allotment holders attended an initial workshop on 18 January 2011 to begin the exploration of alternative management arrangements for Barnet's allotments.</p> <p>There was discussion about the development of an alternative model for running the allotments within the constraints of current legislation whilst allotment holders were also given the chance to raise any issues or concerns. Officers are now compiling a list of issues following the meeting and will develop a plan to move forward.</p> <p><u>Agenda/outline of the evening</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Welcome/introduction + tea &amp; coffee</li> <li>▪ An overview of current allotment management in Barnet</li> <li>▪ Introduction to council's proposal(s) and different models</li> <li>▪ Key principles and legislation that the council must abide</li> <li>▪ Discussion groups – tables discussed issues that most concerned them and these were recorded by facilitators</li> <li>▪ Group feedback – each table in turn had the opportunity to share their top few points from group discussion</li> <li>▪ Next steps – the council explained based on the feedback what the next steps would be</li> </ul>

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g)	<p>What is happening to the Space day centre, Edgware</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Changes at The Space &amp; Community Support Team</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Briefing for the Learning Disabilities Service</p> <p>In keeping with <i>Valuing People</i> and <i>Valuing People Now</i>, Barnet is looking to adopt a more personalized approach in its work with learning disabled service users. This means recognizing that every individual is different and involves offering opportunities which are tailored to the needs and wants of individual users and their families. In addition, these opportunities will enable users to safely make greater use of activities and organizations in their local community.</p> <p>The main changes being proposed are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The teams from The Space and the Community Support Team will join together to form a new service from the 1 April 2011.</li> <li>▪ The service will offer a range of day opportunities, including employment, leisure activities, skills training, education and volunteering.</li> <li>▪ The schedules, activities, groups and transport requirements of service users will be dependent on high-quality individual Person- Centred Plans. These plans will take account of what service users want to</li> </ul>	<p><b>Jenny Warren</b>  <a href="mailto:Parks@barnet.gov.uk">Parks@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Each service user will now have a Person-Centred review to look at their individual choices.</p> <p>The staff teams of the Space and Community Support Teams will merge from April 2011 and provide a more individual service, tailored to the needs and wishes of service users.</p> <p>There will be more emphasis on community-based activities, however the service is not closing, rather reorganising the way it works to provide personalised day opportunities.</p> <p><b>Amanda Jackson</b>  <a href="mailto:Amanda.jackson@barnet.gov.uk">Amanda.jackson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Resident were asked to send their views and queries to Harris Lorie  <a href="mailto:harris.lorie@barnet.gov.uk">harris.lorie@barnet.gov.uk</a> ; 0208 359 7496).</p>

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	<p>do, what they need support with, and what their families need support with. Trained members of staff will hold a meeting with the service user (if appropriate) and their family to complete this plan. We aim to start undertaking these plans in February 2011.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The service will make use of a number of community buildings and social hubs. The location of groups and activities will depend on the make-up of the group and the nature of the activity. We expect that the current day centre building used by The Space will be used less as we find a greater range of more suitable and convenient buildings across the borough.</li> <li>▪ The new service will have a manager and senior support workers, who will supervise the combined team of support workers.</li> <li>▪ We do need to make some savings from this change. However, we want to avoid disrupting front-line work with service users as much as possible. Therefore no currently occupied support worker posts will be lost in this new structure. It is proposed that savings come from the deletion of some vacant posts and that there is a reduction in the transport budget, including the loss of a driver.</li> </ul> <p>If you have any queries or suggestions about these changes, please get in touch with Harris Lorie (<a href="mailto:harris.lorie@barnet.gov.uk">harris.lorie@barnet.gov.uk</a> ; 0208 359 7496).</p>	

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h)	<p>What s going to happen to the Arts Depot</p> <p><b>Andrew Dismore local resident</b></p>	<p><b>Amanda Jackson</b>  <a href="mailto:Amanda.jackson@barnet.gov.uk">Amanda.jackson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Following the reduction in funding to local authorities, we now expect to have to make over £40 million savings over the next three years. After protecting critical services such as adult social care and the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, we will make as many savings as possible through efficiencies, but there will be real reductions in services. In this context, the Council is proposing to end funding to the Arts Depot Trust on 31 March 2011. This represents about 11% of their annual income.</p> <p>Recognising the potential for artsdepot to act as a community hub, we are investigating options for delivering Council or other public services from the building. This is with a view to improving the available offer and footfall in the building and contributing to the financial stability of the Arts Depot Trust. In view of the importance of Arts Council funding to artsdepot, we will also do what we can to support the artsdepot’s funding application for 2012-2015. Meanwhile, there is a strong, on-going dialogue between the Council and artsdepot, in an effort to find a way forward.</p> <p>In related budget items, we are also proposing to continue the separately commissioned arts programmes for older and disabled people and for children and young people, albeit on reduced budgets.</p> <p><b>Julian Mauger</b>  <a href="mailto:Julian.mauger@barnet.gov.uk">Julian.mauger@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>No further update</p> <p><b>Julian Mauger</b>  <a href="mailto:Julian.mauger@barnet.gov.uk">Julian.mauger@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>

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i)	<p>What is happening about adding the names of the fallen in WW2 and subsequent conflicts to the Edgware War memorial?</p> <p><b>Andrew Dismore local resident and president of Edgware Branch Royal British Legion</b></p>	<p>The Council is pleased to report that we are in the early stages of discussions with the London Borough of Harrow concerning the possible addition of names from WWII.</p> <p>The existing structure cannot support the names and so the names would be recorded on a new structure, the location of which has yet to be decided.</p> <p>The Council does not have the available budget to carry out these works and so we are grateful for the offer of assistance from a member of the public who has offered to raise the funds and carry out the works in partnership with us.</p> <p>The proposals are at an early stage and will have to be given formal consent by both Harrow and Barnet Councils before any works can proceed.</p> <p>We would also need to consult the public to ensure that any proposals have the support of the wider community.</p> <p><b>Sue Taylor</b> <a href="mailto:Sue.taylor@barnet.gov.uk">Sue.taylor@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>No response required</p> <p><b>Sue Taylor</b> <a href="mailto:Sue.taylor@barnet.gov.uk">Sue.taylor@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
J)	<p>What is the Council planning for future of the Church Farm Museum</p> <p><b>Andrew Dismore local resident and chair of trustees, Council of British Archaeology, London</b></p>	<p>Church Farmhouse Museum is directly funded and operated by the Council. It receives 8,000 visitors a year at an estimated cost of £15 per visit. In this tough financial environment, the Council's priority must be to protect vulnerable people, which is why the museum consultation invited proposals for alternative management and/or use of both Council-supported museums and suggestions for the display and promotion of collections in the future. I welcome any cost-effective proposals that could preserve the history of the borough, make it widely available to the public, and provide value for money for Barnet</p>	<p>No, the property is not being marketed, it is occupied by the museum and no decision has been made to dispose.</p> <p>If a decision is made to close the building all options will be considered and reported to CRC for a decision.</p> <p>The council is currently responsible for the repair and maintenance of the building.</p>

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5) a)  b)  c)  d)  e)	<p>Why is the cost of a parking permit going to increase so heavily - and what is the justification for such a sharp increase.</p> <p>Please state the new costing of a parking permit, both for a 1st vehicle and the additional cost for further vehicles.</p> <p>Are there plans to increase the number of Control Parking Zone areas in the Borough and specifically in Hendon.</p> <p>What will now be the new total cost of fees made to the council for installing a new driveway in ones property - and what is the specific percentage of the increase?</p> <p>The sports ground of Pavilion Way, Burnt Oak is derelict and unused - however it is still open to the through the main entrance. The ground is full of dangerous items such as glass bottles and what appear to be used syringes.</p>	<p>Monies from permit charges are used to pay for works to the roads as part of the Special Parking Account. We spent around £2m on repairing potholes in the current financial year and given the recent bad weather we may have to spend a similar amount next year.</p> <p>The cost for the 1<sup>st</sup> permit will be £100, 2<sup>nd</sup> permit £125 and third £150</p> <p>The Council has recently carried out a statutory consultation on a proposed extension to the Brent Cross Station Controlled Parking Zone but apart from this there are no plans at present</p> <p>Each site will be individually costed as each location is different. The cost will depend on the width, depth and type of surfacing i.e. whether it is paved, tarmac, blocked or concrete. Although the process and construction operation will be different in dealing with vehicle crossover applications it is not envisaged that the overall costs will increase significantly.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>The freehold of the property is owned by the council, and since the failure of the previous letting, options have been considered for the site. We have had the site cleared and secured, and will arrange for a further clear up. The site forms part of a larger proposal for the area which it is hoped will reach</p>	<p>No further update</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>No further information available at this stage.</p> <p><b>Judith Ellis</b>  <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>

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	<p>Despite this, this site is used daily by youngsters in the area to play football. I ask the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whos owns this property.</li> <li>• Did this used to be the property of Barnet Council.</li> <li>• Will Barnet Council clear this site to ensure that young people in Burnt Oak are not at risk.'</li> <li>• If it was sold, please state the reason for why it was sold.</li> </ul> <p><b>Adam Langleben</b></p>	<p>fruition by the middle of this year. This is currently commercially sensitive and has not been submitted for formal committee approval. In the interim it is being considered for short term letting.</p> <p><b>Judith Ellis.</b>  <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	
<p>6. a) b) c) d) e)</p>	<p>Is there any news re: a meeting to discuss the traffic problems in Montagu Road?</p> <p>If the parking permit if going to be increased to £100 we feel we should at least be able to park in our own road.</p> <p>Montagu Road or at least the lower half should be resident parking at all times.</p> <p>We need Montagu Road to be cleaned once a week - we have asked for this before - we are constantly picking up school debris from our front gardens and in the road.</p> <p>What has happened re the traffic management plan for the multi cultural centre?</p> <p>Judy Shepard Montagu Road Residents Association</p>	<p>As previously agreed, a meeting will take place this month and possible dates have been circulated for the meeting to take place next week, at which time all options and suggestions will be included for discussion with the aim of improving matters in the area</p> <p>This has been arrange. The lower half of Montagu road will be cleared on a weekly basis.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>A constructive meeting has taken place and various options discussed. Subsequent views have been received on the options but officers are still awaiting written views from the school. It is anticipated that a wider consultation on proposals will be carried out with the local community in due course.</p> <p>Officers have visited the school and noted that they are implementing park and stride and kiss and drop schemes.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>An application for “Submission of details of condition 3 (Activities and Traffic Management Plan) pursuant to planning permission reference H/03572/08 dated 26/05/2009” has been submitted to and approved by the council</p>

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			<p>in July 2010.</p> <p>Documents are available for public view on the Councils website, <a href="http://www.barnet.gov.uk">www.barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p><b>Heidi Euzger</b>  <a href="mailto:Heidi.euzger@barnet.gov.uk">Heidi.euzger@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
7.	The Railway Pub – Edgware		
a)	I noticed a ‘for sale’ sign on the Railway Pub/Hotel in Edgware. Can local residents be informed what is happening to this listed building?	<p>Planning permission and listed building consent was granted in November 2008 for alterations and extensions to the listed building in connection with use as a hotel. The permission has not been implemented to date. No applications have been received for any alternative development.</p> <p><b>Lesley Feldman</b>  <a href="mailto:Lesley.Feldman@barnet.gov.uk">Lesley.Feldman@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>The Heritage team noted that provided the listed building is not vulnerable and wind and weather tight the Council has no powers to take any action against the owner. It is worth noting the owners have tenanted The Railway building and it is apparently being looked after by the tenant.</p> <p><b>Heidi Euzger</b>  <a href="mailto:Heidi.euzger@barnet.gov.uk">Heidi.euzger@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
b)	<p>Prince of Wales Pub</p> <p>The Prince of Wales pub on Burnt Oak Broadway is still boarded up. At a previous residents forum I was told that it was a listed building. Can the Council please confirm if this building is listed or not?</p>	<p>Prince of Wales Pub is not a listed building. An application has been submitted for extensions to the rear, use of the ground floor as a restaurant and upper floors as flats. The application is still under consideration. A previous application for a larger development was been withdrawn.</p> <p><b>Lesley Feldman</b>  <a href="mailto:Lesley.Feldman@barnet.gov.uk">Lesley.Feldman@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>The Heritage team has advised that anyone can make proposals to English Heritage to have a building listed. They would need to provide reasoning as to why the building is worthy of being listed. Such details including age of building; architectural merit of the building; site plan and photographs would need to be submitted direct to English Heritage who would then assess whether the building is worthy of being listed.</p> <p><b>Heidi Euzger</b>  <a href="mailto:Heidi.euzger@barnet.gov.uk">Heidi.euzger@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
c)	<p>North Road Community Centre</p> <p>This is a very valuable centre used by many social groups for many years.</p>	<p>The council are currently working with community focus and the current tenant to negotiate a new lease agreement with the North Road Community association. The new agreement is intended to</p>	<p>The purpose of the meeting was to meet representatives of the user committee, introduce Ruth Malundi of Community Barnet, explore opportunities for intensification of use</p>



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d)	<p>What are the Council's plans for it?</p> <p>Ice and Snow The Council own special small 4 wheeled motors for the use on pavements for brushing and anti-weep spraying.</p> <p>Why cant the Council use these vehicles to tow small trucks of slat and grit and spry on icy pavements during inclement weather? The hazards in ice and snow are far greater to pedestrians then to motorist.</p> <p>May I remind the Council that not all pedestrians are motorist, but all motorists are pedestrians.</p> <p><b>Mr Heaphy</b></p>	<p>increase the income to the council and make the community centre available to more organisations on a sessional basis. The building is currently used for approximately 50% of the available time, and with the high demand for community space in this location it is hoped that this will continue to provide a valuable asset to the community.</p> <p><b>Judith Ellis</b> <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>The Council currently has 3 footway salt spreading machines for gritting pavements in the Borough. This is considered inadequate and another 22 machines are currently on order to enhance our ability to grit the pavements, particularly in Town Centres.</p> <p>The suggestion will be investigated further but the concern is that the towing of small trucks on footways will create a bulky, long vehicle which will be problematic in driving on footways.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b> <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>and discuss the outstanding lease renewal. The group appeared concerned that the future of the centre was under threat and it was confirmed that the council were committed to finding a solution for the property which embraces all sectors of the community and meets the high level of demand from a wide variety of ethnic groups.</p> <p>A highly concessionary stepped rental proposal was put forward and an opportunity to restructure the organisation was discussed in order to mitigate rates payable, reduce outgoings and access grant monies</p> <p>It was agreed for a community worker to meet them and move forward with these proposals. This meeting has been arranged for 7 March 2011. Heads of terms have been issued.</p> <p><b>Judith Ellis</b> <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>There are over 700 km of roads and 1400 km of footways in the Borough and is therefore almost impossible task to grit the whole of the road network at all times. The Council therefore has adopted and operates three different Priorities for the road network, as shown in the table below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1525 1334 2152 1495"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Roads</th> <th>Footways</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Priority 1</td> <td>Principal Roads, main commuter routes, bus routes and</td> <td>The heavily used footways on steep</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Roads	Footways	Priority 1	Principal Roads, main commuter routes, bus routes and	The heavily used footways on steep
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			roads providing access to the emergency services	gradients approaching public transport stations (Transport Hubs).
		Priority 2	Roads in the vicinity of Shopping Centres, Railway Stations, Hospitals, Public Buildings and Schools, Roads with steep gradients.	Footways leading to and within town centres, steep slopes and other vulnerable locations, traffic interchanges, local shopping centres, “vulnerable” buildings (day care centres, doctor’s surgeries, libraries etc.), and other residential footways, using all available resources.
		<p>Priority 1 roads and footways are pre-treated with grit when snow, ice or frost may form. Priority 2 and 3 roads and footways are normally post –treated to deal with snowfall or continued icy conditions.</p> <p>It must be emphasised that in times of accumulated snow, Priority 1 roads will be gritted first and until these routes are found to</p>		

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		<p>be safe and running, treatment of Priority 2 roads will not commence.</p> <p><b>Who is liable if you fall?</b>  The Council, as a highway authority under Section 41(1A) of the Highways Act 1980, has a duty “<i>to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that safe passage along a highway is not endangered by snow or ice.</i>”</p> <p>However, paramount in any wintry conditions is the need to drive and walk within the conditions that prevail (Highway Code Rules 205 and 206) and therefore residents and road users are urged to drive and walk with caution.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>

The Forum which commenced at 6.30pm ended at 9:15pm

**Date of Future Meetings**

Date	Venue
15 March 2011	Barnet Multicultural Community Centre, Algernon Road, Hendon NW4

**Officers Present:**

Neil Richardson Acting Highways Manager / Paul Frost, Democratic Services / Heidi Euzger Hendon Planning Manager / Mark Armstrong Property Services

**Councillors Present:**

Councillor Brian Schama  
Councillor Claire Farrier  
Councillor Geoffrey Johnson  
Councillor Julie Johnson

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