

## HENDON RESIDENTS FORUM

Tuesday 18 January 2011

Sangam Community Centre, 210 Burnt Oak Broadway, Edgware

### ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED

Issue Raised	Response
<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>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>2. a) 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</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>

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<p>circulation and directives to all there 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>b) 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 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>

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3. a)	<p><b>Queens Road / Brent Street Junction NW4</b></p> <p><b>The roundabout needs to be upgraded and raised. Can signs be installed to encourage smooth follow of traffic?</b></p> <p>b) 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>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>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 to 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> <b><u><a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></u></b></p>
4. a)	<p>What is the Council's opinion of the consequences for staying on rates of the cut in Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)</p>	<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 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</p>

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	<p>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>New <i>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 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>b) What is happening about the future of the Watling Boys club building</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>c) What is happening about the future of the former Child Guidance</p>	<p>The site was previously included in the Watling Car Park site which is being</p>

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building on North Rd estate, Burnt Oak	pursued for development. This area has now been excluded from the main site, and is being marketed separately for development.
d) What tenancies will be offered to existing tenants when they are rehoused as part of the regeneration schemes	<p><b>Judith Ellis</b>  <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></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>
e) What is the position concerning the outstanding issues form housing benefit. 'from the last forum still not answered'	<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><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 until the anniversary of their claim.</p>
f) What is happening about the future of the council's allotments?	<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</p>

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<p>g) What is happening to the Space day centre, Edgware</p>	<p>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 style="text-align: center;"><b>Changes at The Space &amp; Community Support Team</b>  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 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.</li> </ul>

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<p>h)</p> <p>What s going to happen to the Arts Depot</p> <p><b>Andrew Dismore local resident</b></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> <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</p>

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<p>i) 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 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>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. 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. 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. 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. 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>J) 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</p>



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	<p>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 residents.</p> <p><b>Judith Ellis</b>  <a href="mailto:Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk">Judith.ellis@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
<p>5)  a) 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>b) Please state the new costing of a parking permit, both for a 1st vehicle and the additional cost for further vehicles.</p> <p>c) Are there plans to increase the number of Control Parking Zone areas in the Borough and specifically in Hendon.</p> <p>d) 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>e) 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. Despite this, this site is used</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</p>

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<p>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>reach 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. Is there any news re: a meeting to discuss the traffic problems in</p> <p>a) Montagu Road?</p> <p>b) 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>c) Montagu Road or at least the lower half should be resident parking at all times.</p> <p>d) 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>e) 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>7. The Railway Pub – Edgware</p> <p>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>	<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>

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<p>b) 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>c) North Road Community Centre</p> <p>This is a very valuable centre used by many social groups for many years.</p> <p>What are the Council's plans for it?</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 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>d) Ice and Snow</p> <p>The Council own special small 4 wheeled motors for the use on pavements for brushing and anti-ice spraying.</p> <p>Why cant the Council use these vehicles to tow small trucks of slat and grit and spray 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>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><b>Mr Heaphy</b></p>	

## Date of Future Meetings

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

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## HENDON RESIDENTS FORUM

Tuesday 30 November 2010 6:30pm

St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, St Joseph's Grove, The Burroughs, Hendon, London NW4 4TY

### Action/Update Note

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

\*Denotes Councillor Present

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<p>Update from meeting of 21 October 2010</p> <p><u>Item 5 – Edgware War Memorial</u> Want to see some progress on commemorating Edgware's fallen heroes.</p> <p><u>Item 7 (e) and (f) – National Cuts in Housing Benefit</u> The Council needs to start looking at the potential problems this will bring to Barnet residents and look at what they are going to do to address them. Can the Chairman raise these concerns with the Leader of the Council?</p>	<p>Cllr Rayner advised that he had been in contact with the Deputy Lieutenant who had apologised for the delay. His son had been injured in Afghanistan but he will soon progress the commemoration on the Edgware War Memorial.</p> <p>The Chairman, Cllr John Hart will contact the Leader of the Council.</p>	<p>Councillor John Hart will be able to provide a verbal update.</p>
<p>1. West Hendon Burglary Concerns</p> <p>Residents also asked whether the West Hendon and Hendon Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNT) were</p>	<p>Tim Wilson and Eric from the West Hendon Safer Neighbourhood Team were in attendance and discussed some of the key issues within West Hendon.</p>	<p>No Further update</p>

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	<p>going to be amalgamated and raised concerns that if this was the case, this would lead to a reduction in the number of Police Community Safety Officers (PCSO).</p> <p>Information leaflets on how members of the public could prevent crime used to be circulated to households in West Hendon. Has this been stopped?</p>	<p>They advised that burglaries have gone down dramatically in West Hendon with a few arrests made in the last couple of months. Patrols have been stepped up in any areas where concerns had been raised.</p> <p>No, the practice has not been stopped and this should still be happening.</p> <p>The team reminded residents of the high level of burglaries during this Christmas period and asked people to take all precautions to avoid being burgled.</p>	
2.	<p>Controlled Parking Zone – Ravenshurst Avenue, London, NW4</p> <p>Mr Mistry stated that he had been complaining about the free parking bays since 2005 and asked how long it will take to convert the free parking bays to resident parking bays or pay and display bays.</p> <p><b>Mr P Mistry</b></p>	<p>In order to ensure that the London Borough of Barnet's Controlled Parking Zones (CPZs) continue to operate effectively, we are currently carrying out a review of 'Free' parking bay provision in the borough with a view to converting them to permit holder parking places or pay and display/cashless parking places as appropriate.</p> <p>Proposal for identified changes will be advertised over the coming weeks and it is anticipated that the majority of approved changes will be introduced by the end of March. Whilst this exercise may not directly affect some roads where there is no free bay provision, the increased capacity in the area as a result of the exercise should mean that the current demand on many residents parking bays is lessened.</p> <p>Our Parking Enforcement Team have also been asked to pay particular attention to the type and size of vehicles that may be parking illegally in the Ravenshurst Avenue area. The Enforcement</p>	<p>No further update</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b>  <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@hotmail.co.uk">Neil.richardson@hotmail.co.uk</a></p>

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		<p>Team can be contacted on 020 8359 7446.  <b>Neil Richardson (Environment and Operations)</b></p>	
3.	<p>a) Can I have the details on the current situation of the future of Copthall stadium?</p> <p>b) Concerns raised that the impact of parking and traffic on the proposal by Saracens have not been fully considered. Also the environmental impact should be considered as it is green belt land.</p> <p>c) Mr Edwards Griffith (who was at the forum) stated that he had not been consulted although officers had him advised that 4,600 letters of consultation were sent out to residents.</p> <p>d) What efforts have been made to attract visiting teams for the Olympics to utilise facilities in Barnet?</p> <p><b>Mr Andrew Dismore</b></p>	<p>The Council has been approached by Saracens with a proposal to refurbish and enhance the existing stadium facilities at Copthall. As the local planning authority, the Council will deal with any application entirely on its planning merits. Saracens are currently running a series of public events regarding their proposals.  <b>Julie Oldale (Commercial Services)</b></p>	<p>Due to a regrettable error made by the distribution company used by the Council, not all properties were delivered letters including those in Bampton Drive, Sandwick Close and Sebergham Grove.</p> <p>Over 4100 letters however were distributed representing the vast majority of the 4500 addresses identified locally for consultation purposes. The community will have further opportunities to consider and make comments in relation to the plans for Copthall Stadium and the Council will ensure that all residents are notified of future consultation exercises.  <b>Martin Cowie</b>  <a href="mailto:Martin.cowie@barnet.gov.uk">Martin.cowie@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>The council has not recently approached any group about potentially using Copthall Stadium an Olympic training facility. However, we understand that Saracens RFC, who are developing proposals for the refurbishment of the stadium, have approached to LOCOG, the organising committee of the London games. Neil Snowball, Head of Sport Operations at LOCOG is quoted as saying: "LOCOG included the Barnet Copthall Stadium in its official pre games training camp guide that was presented to the 205 national Olympic committees and the 162 national Paralympic committees at the Beijing Olympics in 2008.</p> <p>"LOCOG has recently seen the plans for the stadium and believes that with the additional investment in the facilities, and the close</p>

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			<p>proximity to London, that this venue could prove to be an excellent opportunity for one of the Olympic or Paralympic teams that are looking for a preparation camp prior to the games in 2012.</p> <p><b>Chris Palmer</b>  <a href="mailto:Chris.palmer@barnet.gov.uk">Chris.palmer@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
4a.	<p>Can I have the details on the current situation of the future of the three regeneration schemes in Hendon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• West Hendon</li> <li>• Spur Road / Stonegrove</li> <li>• Grahame. Park</li> </ul>	<p><u>West Hendon</u>  The first phase of 194 new houses and apartments is now on site having secured funding from the government's 'kickstart' programme and the Council's Growth Area Funding. The Council is working closely with its development partners Barratt Metropolitan, to develop a detailed implementation plan for the remaining phases.</p> <p>In total, 889 new units are either completed or under construction across these 3 regeneration projects.</p> <p><u>Spur Road / Stonegrove</u>  A total of 179 new homes have now been completed and occupied at Stonegrove estate. A further 165 new homes are now on site, 62 of which are affordable. These will be completed in 2011. The Council and its development partners Barratt Homes and Family Mosaic is in discussion with the government's Homes and Communities Agency and GLA regarding the delivery plan for the next phases of development.</p> <p><u>Grahame Park</u>  32 units have been completed with a further 319 new homes currently on site and scheduled for completion in stages between spring 2011 and</p>	<p>No Further update</p> <p><b>Colin Ross</b>  <a href="mailto:Colin.ross@barnet.gov.uk">Colin.ross@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>



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4b.	<p>(i) How many of the units are for social renting?</p> <p>(ii) are there any restrictions on buy-to-let/sub-letting?</p> <p>(iii) For existing and new tenants, will the social housing units be rented on full tenancies or on the 2-year tenancies proposed by Central Government?</p> <p><b>Mr Andrew Dismore</b></p>	<p>summer 2012. A detailed planning application will be submitted by the development partners, Choices for Grahame Park, to the Council for the next major phase, known as Phase 1b by the end of 2010. This phase comprises of over 400 homes, replacement library, community centre and shops.</p> <p><b>Colin Ross (Regeneration)</b>  <a href="mailto:Colin.ross@barnet.gov.uk">Colin.ross@barnet.gov.uk</a>  Colin Ross (Regeneration)</p>	
5.	<p>St Mary's CE Secondary School, Hendon NW4 – what is happening to the rebuilding of the school?</p> <p><b>Mr Andrew Dismore</b></p>	<p>The rebuilding of St Mary's School was included in Barnet's Building Schools for the Future programme. This national programme has been cancelled and Barnet's programme has been abandoned. Any future plans in relation to capital investment in schools is dependent on government funding and we have not yet received any indication of what Barnet's education capital allocation will be (if any).</p> <p><b>Val White (Children's Service)</b>  <a href="mailto:Val.white@barnet.gov.uk">Val.white@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>	<p>In December, the government announced Barnet's school capital allocation for the year 2011/12 as part of national programme. The national programme has been reduced by around 60%. Barnet's allocation includes monies for providing additional school places and a small allocation for roofs, windows and other repair and maintenance issues across the school estate. The allocation is not sufficient to progress any major rebuilding programmes of existing schools.</p> <p><b>Val White (Children's Service)</b>  <a href="mailto:Val.white@barnet.gov.uk">Val.white@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
6a.	<p>We are told that a survey is going to be done for Montagu Road regarding school traffic; will there be a meeting in</p>	<p>As previously advised surveys will take place that will inform the planned January meeting. These surveys are taking place this week, although the</p>	<p>A survey has now been carried out. A meeting will be arranged to discuss options for the area.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b></p>

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	<p>January to discuss the results?</p> <p>I would like reassurance that we will be told the plans in advance of the meeting so that I can discuss with the residents what has been put forward and get their feelings about it.</p> <p><b>Judy Shepherd</b> <b>Montagu Road Residents Association</b></p>	<p>current inclement weather may mean that additional survey dates need to be identified. However, it is intended that the meeting will still take place between local representatives, ward members and officers with a view to establishing what improvements might be made in the area. It is envisaged that these meetings will formulate possible proposals that can then be discussed in the community.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson (Environment and Operations)</b></p>	<p><a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
6b.	<p>The litter in Montagu Road generated by the school is quite bad and we need the street cleaned once a week.</p> <p>According to information on Barnet's website, the road is swept on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of each month but that is not the case.</p> <p>Ms Shepherd used the forum to thank Paul Bragg (Highways Manager), who she had contacted regarding a problem manhole cover and this was fixed within two weeks.</p> <p><b>Judy Shepherd</b> <b>Montagu Road Residents Association</b></p>	<p>This area will be discussed with the supervisor regarding the possibility of reallocating some hot spot team time to enable this problem to be addressed.</p> <p><b>Dave Ward (Environment and Operations)</b> Neil Richardson (Environment and Operations)</p>	<p>Having spoken to Judy Shepherd via e mail we have agreed with the area supervisor to arrange for an additional weekly litter pick of the lower end of Montagu Rd near the school to be carried out on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.</p> <p><b>Dave Ward</b> <a href="mailto:Dave.ward@barnet.gov.uk">Dave.ward@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
6c. Litter	<p>from McDonalds</p> <p>McDonalds used to send out their rubbish patrol to clear away rubbish that had been generated from the restaurant. This may have been a condition attached when their planning permission was granted. Can pressure be put on McDonalds to continue with this</p>	<p>Neil Richardson (Environment and Operations)</p>	<p>McDonalds have been visited this following following a complaint from a resident of Orchard Drive HA8. The Manager regarding Litter clearance was spoken too. The site visit was unannounced and on arrival refuse collection was underway. These are carried out twice a day 10am &amp; 4pm and cover all local locations including some private areas, which</p>

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practice?		<p>attracts litter and that are accessible. The site / general surroundings were clear and tidy and it was clearly visible as to the effectiveness of their 'Trash Run'. I have monitored the areas as promised and am satisfied that they are committed to keeping the affect, which the premmises has on the local neighbourhood, to a minimum. The Neighbourhood Beat Operative confirms that the McDonalds Litter is a very small quota of his overall collection.</p> <p><b>Dave Ward</b>  <a href="mailto:Dave.ward@barnet.gov.uk">Dave.ward@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
6d. At the West Hendon Ward Walk with the Chief Executive on 29 October 2010, a number of good suggestions and ideas were made by Highway Officers on tackling the traffic problems on Montagu Road and surrounding areas. Can the Chairman request a feedback from the Chief Executive on whether the ideas are being taken forward?	The Chairman, Cllr John Hart will contact the Chief Executive.	Councillor John Hart will be able to provide a verbal update.
<p>7. York Park</p> <p>When the area around the regeneration site is fenced off, so will the access path into the park. What plans are there to providing an alternative path?</p> <p><b>Geoff Johnson, Woolmead Avenue and Welsh Harp Area Residents Association</b></p>	<p>We will maintain access between Cool Oak Lane and York Park for public use with the existing foot Path. There is a section of the foot path, close the Cool Oak Lane that does fall within the hoarding. Yesterday (29/11/10) we have started construction on a temporary foot path to replace the section lost. This temporary foot path is the same width and material as the existing foot path and will be completed on Wednesday (01/11/10). Only when the temporary foot path is complete will we close the existing foot path off with the hoarding. Access to York Park from Cool Oak Lane will be maintained at all times during construction. The temporary foot path will be replaced with a new foot path on completion of</p>	<p>No further update</p> <p><b>Jenny Warren</b>  <a href="mailto:Parks@barnet.gov.uk">Parks@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>

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		<p>the project as detailed in the submitted landscape scheme</p> <p><b>Jenny Warren (Greenspaces Manager)</b></p>	
8.	<p>Cool Oak Lane - Construction Lorries</p> <p>I have been reliably informed that one of the conditions attached to outline planning permission was that no lorries would use this road for access to the construction site. There are good reasons for this because this road is a rat run and lorries accessing the site will cause difficulties for drivers trying to drive out of Woolmead Avenue also for pedestrians attempting to cross the road.</p> <p><b>Geoff Johnson, Woolmead Avenue and Welsh Harp Area Residents Association</b></p>	<p>The West Hendon Outline approval (W13937/04) does not contain a condition preventing site access via Cool Oak Lane.</p> <p>Condition 11 of the outline approval requires submission of a Construction Management Plan to be approved by the local planning authority prior to any works commencing on site. This must include satisfactory details of construction vehicle routing, as well as access and egress from the site and staff parking arrangements.</p> <p>A Construction Management Plan has been submitted to the planning authority for consideration. This proposes construction vehicle access via Cool Oak Lane and staff parking provision at the former Youth Sailing Base car park</p> <p>Alternative options for construction access off the A5 through the estate have been considered but are not practical due to the width of the estate roads and limited opportunities for turning of construction vehicles. In addition there are also concerns in relation to construction vehicles turning off the A5 at other points and affecting traffic movement.</p> <p>The issues raised regarding access to Woolmead Avenue and pedestrian safety are being considered as part of the Construction Management Plan.</p> <p><b>Martin Cowie (Planning, Housing and</b></p>	<p>The Construction Management Plan is still under consideration.</p> <p><b>Martin Cowie</b>  <a href="mailto:Martin.cowie@barnet.gov.uk">Martin.cowie@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>

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9.	<p>Cool Oak Lane – Traffic Calming</p> <p>Since the road has been re-surfaced and the speed tables have been removed by the bridge in Cool Oak Lane, traffic has now speeded up. Cars coming over the bridge towards Edgware Road create a problem for traffic trying to exit Woolmead Avenue and pedestrians attempting to cross the road, an accident waiting to happen. A mini roundabout is needed at the end of Woolmead Avenue as was muted sometime ago. Also the residents have informed me that they want the speed humps replaced by Barnet Council.</p> <p>(ii) Also suggested that “Keep Clear” markings could be introduced as they are effective. Can the timeline for deciding what measures that will be taken be reported to the January Hendon Residents Forum?</p> <p><b>Geoff Johnson, Woolmead Avenue and Welsh Harp Area Residents Association</b></p>	<p>Established practice is to remove speed hump style traffic calming measures when planned carriageway maintenance takes place. Officers are aware that a roundabout has been suggested, but in the first instance, will review the speed surveys that are undertaken prior to and after removal of the tables to determine whether there is a significant increase in speeds that should be addressed. Unfortunately this data was not available at the time of writing.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson (Environment and Operations)</b></p> <p>Neil Richardson (Environment and Operations)</p>	<p>As part of resurfacing programme traffic calming measures such as road humps are removed when roads are resurfaced. To assess the impact of the removal measures the Council carries out speed survey before and after the resurfacing.</p> <p>Speed Surveys for Cool Oak Lane were carried out to the west and east of the bridge. The surveys indicated that 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds approx 150 metres to the west of the bridge have reduced westbound from 39.5 to 30.1 mph and eastbound from 38.1 to 29.5 mph. Approx 75 metres to the east of the bridge (outside no. 55 Cool Oak Lane) speeds have reduced from 25.0 to 23.3 mph westbound and 24.5 to 23.4 mph eastbound.</p> <p>The surveys therefore indicate that speeds have not increased as a result of the removal of the measures. However, in order to confirm these reductions in speeds we will be carrying out further surveys over the next couple of months.</p> <p><b>Neil Richardson</b> <a href="mailto:Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk">Neil.richardson@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>
10.	<p>The site of the former Residential Home on Cool Oak lane is littered with bricks, rubbish and is being used for fly tipping. Can the fence around the site be taken down and the site cleared so that local children can use it as a play/recreation ground?</p>		<p>This site forms part of the West Hendon Regeneration area and is subject to a development agreement with a developer who is beginning to carry out site works. It would not be safe for children to play on the site given the works to be carried out and machinery to be used.</p>

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11.	<p>Venues for meetings of Hendon Residents Forum</p> <p>(i) When meetings are held in Hendon, could they be held at Hendon Town Hall instead of at St Joseph's Pastoral Centre as Hendon Town Hall is more accessible and will have a larger room. Also suggested that Broadfields School in Edgware could be a possible venue when meetings are held in Edgware. <b>Mr Andrew Dismore</b></p> <p>(ii) Notices of forthcoming Residents Forums are no longer put up on Notice Boards all over the borough. Can this be re-introduced as it serves as good publicity/advert for the forums? <b>Mr Clive Cohen</b></p>	<p>To be considered subject to availability on dates of forum meetings. Chidilim Agada (Democratic Services)</p>	<p><b>Mark Armstrong</b> <a href="mailto:Mark.armstrong@barnet.gov.uk">Mark.armstrong@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Meeting venues are arranged following annual Council in May. At the start of this municipal year venues were booked. Broadfields school was not available. Following this years annual Council, Hendon Town Hall may be booked depending on availability. <b>Paul Frost</b> <a href="mailto:Paul.frost@barnet.gov.uk">Paul.frost@barnet.gov.uk</a></p> <p>The Council are investigating this request and will provide an update at the March meeting. <b>Paul Frost</b> <a href="mailto:Paul.frost@barnet.gov.uk">Paul.frost@barnet.gov.uk</a></p>

The Forum which commenced at 6.30pm ended at 8:15pm

#### Date of Future Meetings

Date	Venue
18 January 2011	Sangam Community Centre, 210 Burnt Oak Broadway, Edgware, HA8 0AP
15 March 2011	Barnet Multicultural Community Centre, Algernon Road, Hendon NW4

#### Officers Present:

Neil Richardson – Acting Highways Manager  
Chidilim Agada – Team Manager, Democratic Services

#### Councillors Present:

Councillor Geoffrey Johnson

Councillor Julie Johnson  
Councillor Hugh Rayner  
Councillor Brian Schama  
Councillor Mark Shooter

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