

FINCHLEY & GOLDERS GREEN RESIDENTS FORUM
VENUE: IVY HOUSE, 94-96 North End Road, NW11 7SX
THURSDAY, 15 January 2015
6.30PM

Chairman: Councillor Daniel Seal
Vice-Chairman: Councillor Reuben Thompstone

ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE FORUM MEETING

Items must be submitted to Governance Service (f&gg.residentsforum@barnet.gov.uk) **by 10.00am on the second working day before the meeting** (for example, if a meeting is due to take place on a Tuesday evening, questions must be received by 10am on the preceding Friday)

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1.	<p>Consultation on the Budget MTFS</p> <p><i>James Mass, Family and Community Well-being Lead Commissioner</i> <i>Chris Palmer, Communications Manager</i></p>	<p>Officers to present information on upcoming consultation on Budget MTFS</p>
2	<p>Petition: Temple Fortune Sunday Parking</p> <p>As of now parking on Sundays outside our shops is practically impossible due to cars being parked all day. Therefore we, the undersigned, propose the same parking restrictions that apply all week to be extended to Sundays, thereby freeing up parking spaces for customers.</p> <p><i>Lead petitioner: Mr Boruch Saltzman of Moshes Supermarket</i></p>	
3	<p>At July's meeting of the Forum, during item 13, I proposed cycle stand(s) on the pavement build-out by 26-28 North End Road, considering both the scarcity of anywhere to lock a bike in the vicinity and some protection it would afford pedestrians on the build-out. Neil Richardson (Highways officer present) said he would consider the suggestion. May we have a verdict please?</p> <p>If there won't be budget for it, then what is the project cost to install (i) one, (ii) two abreast, cycle stands respectively, so that I or others can cite this in bidding for an Area Committee grant for these here or elsewhere?</p> <p><i>Mr Levy</i></p>	

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4	<p>At July's meeting of the Forum, item 15, a proposal was made for a few metres of double yellow line on Finchley Road southbound approaching West Heath Avenue junction signals, since the status quo was both non-standard and very cycle-unfriendly. Highways Department responded that they would be pleased to consider the suggestion. May we have a verdict please?</p> <p>If there won't be budget for it, then what would the project cost be, so that I can cite this in bidding for an Area Committee grant for it?</p> <p><i>Mr Levy</i></p>	
5	<p>Can the residents of Montagu Road NW4 have an update on the installation of CCTV outside the ACE school.</p> <p><i>Judy Shepherd</i></p>	
6	<p>Why don't traffic wardens attend in the evenings between 6.20pm and 7pm?</p> <p><i>Judy Shepherd</i></p>	
7	<p>Illegal, dangerous, inconsiderate parking and manoeuvres directly and indirectly generated by users, staff, members and visitors of FRS Synagogue, Kindergarten, Hebrew Classes and other events held on the site 7 days a week, morning, noon and night</p> <p>This matter was brought to the Forum in March 2014 and as can be seen by the Photograph Logs attached, the situation has not improved and continues to have an extremely negative impact on the residents, residents' property – cars and drives, other road users and pedestrians. Air quality, Highway Safety, Residents' Amenities and Emergency Access are compromised regularly and frequently, even when FRS's car park is in use.</p> <p>Barnet Council have failed to provide any official receipts of complaints despite requests and fail to enforce parking policy in the streets surrounding the site and a copy of the Kindergarten's Travel Plan has not been provided to nearby residents.</p>	

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	<p>Parking Enforcement Officers either do not attend or attend too late to take any action when residents call the Enforcement Office.</p> <p>Evidence has been provided by residents to LBB Planning, Traffic & Development, Highways, DRS, Environmental Health and Parking Enforcement Departments but no action has been taken.</p> <p>It is essential that a huge reduction in the number of FRS vehicles arriving, parking and leaving the site is enforced and that Highway Safety, Traffic Flow, Legal and Considerate Parking and Air Quality in the streets surrounding the FRS site are improved without further delay, particularly as we understand that FRS is preparing to submit a planning application for redevelopment/massive expansion, removing any on-site car parking provision, which will attract an ever increasing level of attendance and events. FRS Directors Report and Financial Statements</p> <p>30 September 2013 submitted to the Charity Commission 5 June 2014 state that they will need to increase membership to fund the planned redevelopment.</p> <p>(Enc: Photograph Logs Jan to May 2014, June to 13 July 2014, 14 July to Sept 2014, 1-20 Oct 2014, 21 Oct to 7 Dec 2014, 8-23 Dec 2014)</p> <p><i>Wendy & Louis Bernardelle</i></p>	
8	<p>I am very concerned about the number of HMO's now springing up in the Terraces. We bought our houses here because we liked the community spirit and the fact that it is a conservation area. With the increase of these sort of houses this way of living is diminishing and I am not happy about it. The people living in HMO's are transient and therefore do not join in any of the community activities and in fact live their lives mostly behind closed blinds and curtains so it is impossible to see how many people are living in the property or what they are doing to it. When we are able to see in which is when someone leaves the blinds open it is quite obvious that there are more people than there should be. This is obvious by the amount of people we see going in and out of the properties as well. Some of these houses are responsible for lots of litter which overflows into the street, the incorrect bins are used for rubbish so the rubbish is not taken away on a regular basis and in some cases a lot of noise</p>	

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	<p>is caused by the tenants of these properties. It is quite disconcerting to see groups of people we don't know going in and out of the various properties and these change on a regular basis so there is now a much larger floating population here which as said above is not why we bought in this area. In my opinion as a conservation area HMO's should not be allowed in the Terraces and there should be much stricter laws about letting in general. If someone wants to buy a property to let as an HMO or not they should be a house next to their own and put up with the various problems we are getting and not inflict them on us.</p> <p><i>Francine Harper</i></p>	
9	<p>Also I would like to object about the amount of people using the bushes outside our houses in Gratton as toilets. We do what we can to stop them if we see them but a lot of them are quite aggressive as they have been drinking and some are just aggressive anyway. People, mainly men it has to be said, but women have been seen in the bushes as well actually deviate from the main road, walk up to the Terraces and stand doing their business in the bushes. We would like some deterrent considered please. Even your own council workers complain about the sort of stuff they have to clean out of the bushes.</p> <p><i>Francine Harper</i></p>	
10	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Where does it say in the indentures of 9th August 1898 and 13th February 1900 that the Park Keepers Lodge in Victoria Park cannot be used for housing accommodation, other than that of a park keeper? 2. Why is a property on this section of Long Lane "somewhat isolated"? 3. What is required for a property to be at "decent homes standard"? 4. Currently Victoria Park maintenance is provided by the Council. Why does the Park Keepers Lodge need to be sold for Victoria Park maintenance? 5. The access to Victoria Park for large vehicles is by the Long Lane entrance. When the amusements come to Victoria Park these vehicles are often long in length. They always come from the Ballards Lane end. In order for them to access the park, Long Lane traffic is halted while they manoeuvre the vehicle back and forth to slowly make the turn into the park. Sometimes the vehicle mounts the pavement breaking the pavers. Other times the tree by the 	

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	<p>entrance is struck and branches broken. Parking signs are also damaged / removed. Will the park-keepers lodge section be reduced to a minimum size to allow this access to be improved in the future?</p> <p>6. If the Park keepers Lodge is sold, will there be a restriction requiring the owner to retain the Lodge?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
11	<p>I would like to raise the matter of dangerous paving on Cricklewood Broadway particularly outside the Travelodge Hotel and Tesco Express which, if I remember correctly was laid only two to three years ago when this new building was completed. Should the paving, the smaller sized type with lots of corners and edges to trip over, not have lasted longer than this? Badly laid, lack of supervision? It has been getting steadily worse over the last three to four months.</p> <p><i>Sonia Bryant</i></p>	
12	<p>Now that various bollards have been removed from Kara Way & Cricklewood Broadway delivery lorries are parking on pavements outside Tesco and awaiting delivery at Cricklewood Timber. This is damaging paving and presumably underground serviced.</p> <p><i>Lesley Turner</i></p>	
13	<p>What will the proposed changes to the libraries mean in reality and how can these changes be justified?</p> <p><i>Gloria Moss</i></p>	
14	<p>Windsor Open Space</p> <p>At the Forum meeting a year ago a resident asked about the dangerous condition of the footpath along the brook through Windsor Open Space. She was told that parts of the path would be replaced "in the very near future". However, no sections of this admittedly dangerous path have been improved or replaced.</p> <p>Would Greenspaces tell us what these improvements are and when they will</p>	

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	<p>be made?</p> <p><i>Dennis Pepper</i></p>	
15	<p>Oakdene</p> <p>Much of the lower Dollis Valley consists of a 'green chain' - linked Sites of Local Importance for Nature Conservation - which are classified as Metropolitan Open Land and, like the Green Belt, are given 'absolute protection'.</p> <p>Would Greenspaces please explain why they proceeded to destroy hitherto unspoilt habitats on this protected land?</p> <p>Would they also tell us where their intentions were advertised and how the public were consulted about their intentions?</p> <p><i>Dennis Pepper</i></p>	
16	<p>Oakdene</p> <p>The work undertaken here has resulted in the permanent loss of habitats on a designated conservation site. In such cases relevant legislation requires compensation to be made for any loss of biodiversity.</p> <p>Would Greenspaces say what compensatory measures they have undertaken and where?</p> <p><i>Dennis Pepper</i></p>	
17	<p>Oakdene</p> <p>Several years ago now Greenspaces received a grant from the Mayor of London to improve the footpath along the Dollis Valley Greenwalk.</p> <p>Would Greenspaces please tell us why the footpath has still not been improved along this stretch of the DVGW?</p> <p>Would they also tell us why they have introduced a cycle route here when there is already a designated cycle route within 100m. of the site?</p> <p>And would they also tell us how much it has cost to construct this new, damaging and unnecessary route?</p>	

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	<i>Dennis Pepper</i>	
18	<p>I understand that the library proposals are based on an assumption that people should live no more than 30 mins travel from a library. Please can you tell me what lead you to this figure and what impact in terms of frequency of visits you expect this travelling time will have on older people, people with disabilities and young families relying on public transport to reach their nearest library?</p> <p><i>Emily Burnham</i></p>	
19	<p>I am a resident of the Terraces in Cricklewood and I would like to raise a few concerns to be considered at the forum. They are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * The increasing amount of HMO's especially in Gratton terrace. The Terraces are losing their character because landlords are letting out rooms in houses to individuals instead of to families. Living rooms are being used as bedrooms. There is an increase in the amount of landlords doing this without a license. Blinds and curtains are shut all day to hide how many people are actually living in these houses. * Men regularly urinating in the bushes in Gratton Terrace opposite our house. My children, the youngest of whom is an 8 year old girl have witnessed this so many times now. * Groups of drunk people drinking alcohol quite openly on the streets of Cricklewood*.' * Gratton Terrace is being used as a 'cut through' when the traffic is bad on the Edgware Rd. Cars come in through the 'No Entry' end and race down to the other end to get ahead of the traffic. It is SO dangerous. <p>Thank you for giving us the opportunity to present our concerns. We bought our house here because it was such a safe family place to live and we thought that 'Conservation Area' status meant that it would retain that character. The concerns that I have mentioned above mean that the character of our lovely neighbourhood is changing and not for the better. Please help us retain the character by making it more difficult for landlords to fill these houses with as many people as they can squeeze in, by giving us signs to stop men urinating in the bushes and by making it more difficult for cars to use Gratton Terrace as a cut through.</p>	

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	<i>Cathy Davies</i>	
20	<p>Our libraries ought to be a place of pride, which foster aspiration and a sense of community. The current library consultation proposes 3 bad options:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To reduce the network to 4 libraries only, within a geographically large borough; or 2. To reduce the library network by a smaller amount, but only staff them half the time. <p>For safeguarding reasons, children under 16 will not be allowed into the library unaccompanied when it is unstaffed.</p> <p>How does the exclusion of under 16s, many of whom will be studying for GCSEs and BTECs, foster aspiration and educational attainment?</p> <p><i>Julia Hines</i></p>	
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21	<p>Can you explain how moving the East Finchley Library away from the local primary schools and further from the areas of greatest deprivation to the most affluent part of the ward will assist those who need the library most.</p> <p>Can you explain where the local students who currently fill the upstairs hall during exam season will now revise if they have no quiet space at home.</p> <p>Can you explain how local schoolchildren who have no access to the internet</p>	

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	<p>at home will do their homework if the library computer facilities are removed.</p> <p>Can you explain how you will make an unstaffed library a safe place for vulnerable people</p> <p>Can you explain how you propose to raise money from a Grade II listed building within which the library fixtures and fittings are also listed.</p> <p><i>Polly Napper</i></p>	
22	<p>Dollis Valley Greenwalk</p> <p>Would "Dollis Valley Greenwalk - Oakdene Park Upgrade" works occurred if there was not about one million pounds provided by Transport for London for LIP off-road cycling corridors? What works, if any, would have occurred on this section of Dollis Valley Greenwalk without this LIP funding?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
23	<p>In the Re Limited Conflicts of Interest Register there is an entry in February 2013 regarding B/05752/13. The "Dollis Valley Greenwalk - Oakdene Park Upgrades" is application B/05752/13 which states, "There is no public consultation applicable for this application". This was given a "Certificate of Lawful Use or Development" on 13th December, 2013. Documents for the Finchley & Golders Green Area Environment Committee of 15th January 2014 were required to be written and circulated for clearance by 13th December 2013 so this was just too late. Instead B/05752/13 was given Cabinet Member delegated powers as the next committee meeting was not until the 26th March 2014 which was deemed to be too late for approval and would have affected the delivery program. The Environment Agency gave consent (M 22745) on 15th May, 2014. Given that the planning application was approved in December, 2013 why should purdah restrictions have prevented the plans being available on-line? Was purdah from the 14th April 2014 to the 22nd May 2014? The exemption from Planning Permission in B/05752/13 is not valid as it required the works to not exceed 200 cubic meters in capacity. [exemption for Development by Local Authorities (The Town and Country Planning - General Permitted Development, Amendment, No 2, England Order 2008 Part 12 Class A)]. Why was the Certificate of Lawful Use or Development given when Planning Permission was required?</p>	

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	<i>Mary O'Connor</i>	
24	<p>There were also deviations from B/05752/13 in the works. Where there was an existing path, the new path was to be on top of the existing path. This has not occurred. At the June 2014 resident forum I asked where the path would go after bridge number 3 as there was less than 2.5m between Dollis Brook bank and an oak tree. No one replied but the following week trees were felled, bush removed and the path from the bridge went directly ahead to the golf club fence before turning. B/05752/13 also states that the new bridge will be 2.5m wide but it has been built 3.0m wide. In making enquiries I have been told that unless I can show "demonstrable harm" that they can amend anything. Receiving a Certificate of Lawful Use or Development when Planning Permission was required and then changing plans without needing any approval has implications for all of Barnet Borough. Why is this ignored?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
25	<p>In the June 2013 Residents Forum, Ms Warren from Greenspaces stated "considerable consultation was undertaken" but how could respondents know what they were consulted about when there were no detailed plans available? What impact could public opinion have when decisions had already been made?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
26	<p>Why is there no Health and Safety report for the end users of this "upgrade"? Why in April was I told by Greenspaces team members that if the Dollis Valley Greenwalk was not converted to allow cycling using Transport for London LIP funding for off-road cycling that the path would have to be closed as it was not safe. Yet at the June 2013 Residents Forum when I highlighted the danger of the missing spindles in bridge number 3 it took until after Christmas for some hardboard to be secured to cover the gaps - probably about an hour's work and about £5 of materials! Before the plans were approved why was there not a report to consider whether the resulting "upgrade" would be safe and beneficial for all users?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	

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27	<p>B/05752/13 application documents have the new path from Lovers Walk bridge to the proposed footbridge of 216m being a shared foot/cyclepath. All other existing paths are referred to as footpaths? Why did the footpaths need to be widened to 2.5m and why were they not made pedestrian friendly? Please have "No Cycling" signs placed along them as they are footpaths and will be too dangerous to be used by cyclists also.</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
28	<p>Why has money been received and used for LIP off-road cycleways when some of the paths are footpaths?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
29	<p>Why were cyclists not surveyed? Will they use this new cycle route when</p> <p>a. they are required to walk with their bikes along the footpaths and only able to ride the new 216m shared foot/cyclepath?</p> <p>b. it is faster to go along the quiet streets designated as a cycle route, namely Gordon Road, Brent Way, Chesterfield Road and Westbury Road?</p> <p>c. the section of Dollis Valley Greenwalk from Fursby Road to Argyle Road will remain "no cycling"?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
30	<p>In the design of the paths why were they made dangerous to pedestrians - path constructed very hard, raised, hard edge higher than adjoining soil, not possible to see where the concrete edge is in Autumn as obscured by leaves?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
31	<p>Is this path DDA compliant?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	

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32	<p>Will this area continue to be a Site of Borough Importance for Nature Conservation? Will the new 2.5 meter wide asphalt path and 3.0 meter wide bridges be excluded from the Site of Borough Importance for Nature Conservation?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
33	<p>Will Barnet Council use a more pedestrian friendly design and softer materials for the footpath not yet completed from the proposed bridge through the allotments to Fursby Road. There are now rubber path materials available. They also do not require concrete edging. An example is at http://www.softmulch.co.uk/path_bond.html.</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
34	<p>How many cubic meters of gravel, asphalt, concrete, bituminous macadam and topsoil have already been used in the construction of these paths?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
35	<p>Why is bridge number 3 being replaced? Which other bridge is planned to be replaced?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
	<p>Why was a 3 meter section of the felled oak trunk placed into the Dollis Brook bed on 22nd or 23rd October? Was this dangerous and against Environment Agency conditions? It was moved up the bank on 25th November. What was the cost and reason for these actions?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
37	<p>The NHS is promoting walking for health as part of 150 minutes of physical activity every week. As pavements are uneven and not pedestrian friendly will Barnet Council promote and enhance the pedestrian facilities along the Dollis Valley Greenwalk for the benefit and health of Barnet residents?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	

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38	<p>Local Implementation Plan Annual Spending Submission - Environment Committee Meeting 16th September, 2014</p> <p>Please explain</p> <p>1. In Appendix 1, there is 'Implement outcomes of cycle route signage reviewto better direct cyclists via the most appropriate route, and remove incorrect signs on: Dollis Valley Route (on-road sections, some off-road sections and signs from surrounding areas),.....between Hendon and Dollis Valley'. Please detail all the "incorrect" signs. Why are they "incorrect"?</p> <p>2. In Appendix 2," including the east-west cycle route referred to above providing a connection between Pursley Road and Finchley via a largely off-road connections via Sanders Lane, alongside the east-west distributor road and then via Lovers Walk." Lovers Walk is a pedestrian path with "no cycling" signs. It would be too dangerous to add cycling to this footpath. Why is it in this plan?</p> <p>3. In Appendix 2, In the Dollis Valley estate plan what are the proposed enhancements to the Dollis Valley Greenwalk?</p> <p><i>Mary O'Connor</i></p>	
40	<p>May I raise these questions for Cllr Thompstone on Thursday please?</p> <p>How do you propose to raise money from a Grade II listed building within which the library fixtures and fittings are also listed.</p> <p>Where will students and others go for quiet studying facilities? With Internet access?</p> <p><i>Brian Ingram</i></p>	
41	<p>Has the council conducted a review of the non-book borrowing uses of local libraries?</p> <p>(Background – from observation and information given to me, it would appear that many people use East Finchley Library for non book borrowing use and many of these uses contribute to social cohesion)</p>	

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	<i>Kate Brown</i>	
42	<p>1a/ Hendon Library. Can you please explain more about the current thinking for Hendon? All three of the options laid out in the consultation imply a reduction of floor space to less than half of the current space. Why is this? Have any decisions already been taken with respect to Hendon?</p> <p>1b/ Further to the previous question, the Consultation document (Section 5) refers to “partnership with an educational institution” as a possible future for Hendon. Can you say more about this?</p> <p>2/ Reference and Study Facilities. If our vision for libraries includes “makes knowledge and information easily accessible” then this surely implies a commitment to provision of good study area facilities for quiet study. I am particularly concerned about the level of this provision in the south of the borough. I am aware of two libraries that currently offer quiet study areas - Hendon and Church End. The facilities at Hendon are superb and well used but I fear they are at risk. I understand Church End is going to be rebuilt but I am concerned that the council’s commitment to provision of quiet study facilities is not clear to me. Can you comment on these issues please and explain the council’s position?</p> <p>I do appreciate that questions about Hendon Library might seem more appropriate to be raised at the Hendon Residents Forum but I am not a resident there. We do not currently enjoy the level of service provision at Golders Green & East Finchley that is offered at Hendon & Church End in the areas of private study and 7-days a week opening. So I do consider Hendon to be my local "substantial" library in these respects.</p> <p><i>Neil Palmer</i></p>	
43	<p>Bollards Kara Way NW2</p> <p>The issue is not the existence of a raised kerb. Creating a raised kerb was agreed as part of the solution together with replacing the original bollard.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The metal bollard, which matched the others in Kara way, was knocked 	

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<p>down in late November 2013. [Reported to Barnet Council Officers Mr Richardson, Mr Cooper of and others]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This was replaced by a concrete bollard (out of character with the rest of the bollards in Kara Way). • This was followed by damage to the BT inspection cover on the same corner in February 2014. [Reported to Mr Richardson, Mr Cooper and others] • BT took longer than they should to replace the cover. However, by this time there was a more general degradation of the whole pavement at that corner. • The replacement concrete bollard was itself uprooted in June 2014. Leaving a stub and the pavement in a poor state of repair (see attached photograph). [Reported to Mr Richardson, Mr Cooper and others] • The Barnet Council responded by concreting over the corner without replacing the bollard. I contacted the council to confirm that this was only a temporary repair and was assured that it was (e-mail from Mr Richardson 18/7/14). • It was clear from the scuffing on the bollard before it was finally destroyed and from the tyre marks in the fresh concrete that the damage has been caused by the forklift truck from the wood yard opposite driving over the pavement. It was agreed that this highlighted the need for a bollard on the that corner and that the kerb should also be raised on that corner to deter the forklift from driving over the pavement. (e-mail from Mr Cooper 8/7/14). I was told that the work would be completed within 28 days. • When the work was not carried out I contacted Mr Cooper again on 26/8/14. I was told by Mr Cooper that the repair would be completed within the next 10 days, weather permitting (e-mail 26/8/14). Since then the council officers have stopped responding to e-mails. • The work to replace the bollard and raised the kerb has still not been done despite many follow-up e-mails. I suggest using a matching metal bollard would look best but frankly I would welcome any progress. • Raised this on-going issue through Councillor Jack Cohen in late November 2014. This was administered by Imogen Eccles, Member Enquiries Officer for Barnet Council. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After some delay I received a response from Mark Cooper (via Imogen Eccles) on 11 December saying that the work would be carried out in the next 28 days. <p>In addition to the basic inaction by Barnet Council I think it is unacceptable that council officers give a time period for work to be done and then do not monitor progress or communicate any delays. The excuse given in December was that the work had been put on hold due to budgetary issues. Having given an undertaking that the work would be carried out they should at very least inform me when they took the decision to shelve it.</p> <p>The council officers are evasive, poor communicators, make reckless statements and show little aptitude for getting very simple works done.</p> <p><i>Richard Jones</i></p>	
44	<p>1 I am concerned that at a Residents' Forum meeting I attended last year at The Crown Hotel, the issue of Ashley's (Greengrocers) taking over most of the footpath on the east side of Cricklewood Broadway was raised then and it was agreed that Barnet would deal with this problem. Many months later, there is still no room whatsoever for pedestrians to walk in safety in front of these premises; especially those who are disabled or have buggies etc.</p> <p><i>Vivienne Canter</i></p>	
45	<p>The pavement in front of Stevan's is severely damaged, due to the number of cars and heavier transport that park there, and I am most concerned that someone will have a very dangerous fall there before too long.</p> <p><i>Vivienne Canter</i></p>	
46	<p>There are still many potholes in and around The Terraces and bollards and signage which require urgent repair/replacement. These matters have been raised previously but to no avail.</p> <p><i>Vivienne Canter</i></p>	

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47	<p>Much damage is done to the pavement on Kara Way by a forklift truck that operates out of Cricklewood Timber, as well as to paving and road surfaces by really heavy, long vehicles that constantly come up to the timber yard. I have noticed that on The Vale, width restrictions have been placed to stop large vehicles (particularly from O'Donoghue's) thunder up and down the road. It is perfectly unacceptable, in the interests of Health & Safety, that in an residential area adjacent to a children's playground, such large vehicles should be allowed access to The Terraces. I am therefore requesting that The Terraces benefit from a width restriction too, at the entrance to Kara Way, before a small child/pedestrian is hit/killed by one of these long vehicles.</p> <p><i>Vivienne Canter</i></p>	
48	<p>There is a rumour that the relatively new Health Centre on Cricklewood Lane (in the Britannia Business Centre) faces closure at the end of this financial year. When I moved into The Terraces in 2006, no Barnet practice would accept me as I lived the "wrong side" of either the railway line or Cricklewood Lane. I was relieved, therefore, when the Health Centre finally opened. Might I remind officers that there is a massive housing project about to start opposite Dollis Hill Lane on the Edgware Road and that this will be the nearest Barnet practice for these residents too. It would be extremely foolhardy to close a practice just at the time of increasing demand by new and existing residents</p> <p><i>Vivienne Canter</i></p>	
49	<p>There is a marked difference in the improvements that have been made on the Brent side of Cricklewood Broadway to the shop fronts and flats above the shops, compared with those on the Barnet side of the road. The bushes in front of Gratton Terrace serve as a men's toilet, as do the ones behind Champion Terrace. Can something be done to enhance these areas in order to discourage this sort of loutish behaviour?</p> <p><i>Vivienne Canter</i></p>	
50	<p>How lovely to have a street market in Cricklewood Lane in front of B & Q but how's about a French Market (as in Temple Fortune) or a high quality weekly food and produce market (as in Queen's Park)? This might encourage the right kind of clientele rather than the riff-raff who drink on the newly laid lawn</p>	

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	area! <i>Vivienne Canter</i>	
51	Something must be done urgently to prevent multiple occupancy of the houses in The Terraces which are really not large enough to sustain this type of occupancy; nor our streets to accommodate any further traffic! <i>Vivienne Canter</i>	
52	<u>Issues outstanding from Residents' Forum held in January 2014, a year ago</u> So many issues were raised at the meeting, that Neil Richardson suggested he do a walkabout with residents, in particular issues relating to damaged signage, bollards, road surfaces, potholes in the terraces and the very faded yellow box junction at the entrance to Kara Way. The walkabout took place with residents, Neil Richardson, Mark Cooper and Joshua Stanton. None of the issues raised during that walkabout have been dealt with and continue to affect residents who have continued to raise them with officers during the year. <i>Jessica Howey</i>	

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Future meeting dates:

Date	Venue
Wednesday, 25 March 2015	Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley, London N3 3QE