

**FINCHLEY & GOLDERS GREEN RESIDENTS' FORUM
ACTION SHEET
17 JUNE 2010**

Held at Avenue House, 17 East End Road, Finchley, N3 3QE

*Chairman: Councillor Dean Cohen

*Vice-Chairman: Councillor Graham Old

(*denotes Councillor present)

	Subject	Response	Action
1.	<p>Petition with 31 signatures from Finchley Church End Residents objecting to the proposal for an improved pedestrian crossing facility on East End Road in close proximity to the junction with Manor View and entrance to The Sternberg Centre – Drawing No 60594 cp 001 – March 2010</p> <p>The petition was reported to the Forum.</p>	<p>Officers recently had a constructive meeting with Councillor Greenspan and residents to discuss concerns raised and it was subsequently agreed that a further meeting should take place on site to review the proposals and to consider additional points raised by the residents.</p> <p>The meeting will be arranged once utility works in the area have been completed which is expected to be by the second week of July.</p>	<p>Update required Neil Richardson – Acting Highways Manager – Traffic and Development</p>
2	<p>Barnet Website : The Barnet website used to have a section called 'Halls for Hire' where local organisations could give details of halls or rooms that could be hired by the public. Golders Green Unitarians in Hoop Lane had an entry. When I looked on the website recently I could not find this section. Has the information been removed, and, if so what was the reason.</p>	<p>The Council website has not carried this information for approximately four years. This list was duplicating a more up to date list provided by Barnet Voluntary Services Council (now CommUnity Barnet). It was considered a poor use of taxpayers money to duplicate a service better provided by another body.</p>	<p>The Assistant Director – Barnet Communications will be asked to write to the resident to confirm whether CommUnity Barnet and the relevant information is on line.</p> <p>Update required: Chris Palmer</p>
3	<p>Resident congratulated the Council on helping residents in the Tally Ho Area who had experienced anti-social behaviour caused by</p>	<p>There has been a 54% fall in recorded serious violence offences in the Tally Ho area between 2006-2009.</p>	<p>No update required</p>

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	<p>problems relating to Alcohol Related Crime. He explained that Alcohol Related Crime has dropped significantly (25%) in the Tally Ho Area of North Finchley from 2006 to 2009. Nationally no one is reporting a reduction in Alcohol Related Crime. This Crime Reduction has been achieved by effective action by Barnet Council, Barnet Police and residents.</p>		
4	<p>The pavement verge on Claremont Road between the Millenium Green and Brent Terrace is particularly dirty. We think that the undergrowth needs clearing so that it doesn't attract all the litter, as it does at the moment. Also the pavement around the bins by the shop at the corner of Claremont Road and Brent Terrace is strewn with litter. We would be very grateful if this matter could be looked into as soon as possible.</p> <p>Residents spoke particularly about :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● the vegetation between the pavement and fencing which needs clearing again. ● litter getting caught up in the shrubs. ● Rats sighted by the bins at the corner of Claremont Road and Brent Terrace. 	<p>This location is subject to the Scheduled, Neighbourhood Sweep, Signature Service Cleanse, on a 4 weekly rotation. It is included in Beat 514 and contained within the 'Week 2' schedules. Which were last carried out during the Week start 31/5/10 – this will be repeated during Week start 28/6/10.</p> <p>The location is serviced by Town centre support team 3 and is also classified as a Litter Hotspot, receiving additional resources by Hotspot team 5 throughout the week (but not weekends since April) – The location suffers from detritus build-up due to the Transfer Station adjacent (this is being monitored by The Environment Agency & LBB).</p> <p>The recent footway relay (relaying of paving slabs) along Claremont Road required shrubs and grass</p>	<p>Grounds Maintenance work and rats update.</p> <p>Update : Mervyn Bartlett Regeneration and Transport Manager</p>

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		<p>verges to be cut back & redefined - Grounds Maintenance have been asked to carry out works on 'responsive maintenance'.</p> <p>Additional resources are placed at peak periods to minimise the affect of litter/wind blown detritus.</p> <p>The sighting of rats will be reported to relevant officer</p>	
5	<p>11 Mountfield Road, N3 3ND</p> <p>Property let out to DHS tenants. House in disrepair, overgrown garden, bedding and trash in garden.</p> <p>Cigarette ends and used condoms thrown into neighbours garden.</p> <p>Residents spoke of their concerns regarding the issues surrounding this property.</p> <p>A resident enquired if officers from Environmental Health have visited to check whether the property, as a house in multiple occupation, complies with health and safety regulations.</p>	<p>Officers from the Council's Temporary Accommodation Service have discovered that the company which owns the property is in receivership. The Temporary Accommodation Service has placements in three of the flats and the rest are occupied by private tenants now managed by the Receivers - Chart Property Partnership. The managing agents have been contacted and they will attend to rubbish in the front and back gardens tomorrow, and cut the grass on Saturday.</p> <p>Appropriate letters have been sent by the Council to the residents in temporary accommodation.</p> <p>Information about antisocial behaviour complaints has been sent to the Receivers to address with the private tenants.</p>	<p>The Housing Manager will consult with Environmental Health officers regarding HMO health and safety compliance.</p> <p>Update: Ingrid Leggatt Housing Manager</p>
6	Matters Arising from Action Sheet from 10 March 2010 Forum:		
(a)	Pavement outside 488 Finchley Road NW11	The Council is looking to address potholes	Defects in the road surface by the

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	near Llanvanor Road southbound bus stop: Resident advised that the water leak had now been fixed however the roadway near the bus stop was uneven and in need of repair.	throughout the Borough and a database is currently being compiled of damaged roads. This will be added to the list.	Llanvanor Rd bus stop have been reported to the relevant officer. Update: Mervyn Bartlett Regeneration and Transport Manager
	The next meeting of the Finchley & Golders Green Residents' Forum will take place at 6.30pm on Monday, 26 July 2010 at St Michael's Church Hall, The Riding, Off Golders Green Road, NW11		

The Forum which started at 6.30pm ended at 7.00pm

Officers Present:

Jeff Lustig – Director of Corporate Governance
Karina Sissman – Finchley & Golders Green Area Planning Manager
Mervyn Bartlett – Regeneration and Transport Manager
Ingrid Leggatt – Housing Manager
David Curtis-Botting – Trading Standards and Licensing Manager
Stephanie Chaikin – Democratic Services Officer