

<u>MEETING</u> ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
<u>DATE AND TIME</u> WEDNESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER, 2020 AT 6.00 PM
<u>VENUE</u> HENDON TOWN HALL, THE BURROUGHS, LONDON NW4 4BQ

Dear Councillors,

Please find enclosed additional papers relating to the following items for the above mentioned meeting which were not available at the time of collation of the agenda.

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Public Comment

Nr	Agenda Item	Raised by	Comment
1.	7 Tiny Forest	Daniel Mermelstein	I believe that a Tiny Forest would be an ideal part of the tree planting strategy of the borough. A typical Tiny Forest contains up to 600 trees of multiple native species, all densely planted in an area the size of a tennis court. This brings all the benefits of a forest - climate cooling, lower flood risks, biodiversity, improved air quality, and physical and mental wellbeing right into the heart of urban areas. I hope that Barnet will consider the use of Tiny Forests as part of their tree planting strategy.

Public Question

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1.	7 Tiny Forest	Daniel Mermelstein	Would the council be willing to identify a piece of land for the creation of a Tiny Forest as part of their tree planting programme? A typical Tiny Forest contains up to 600 trees of multiple native species, all densely planted in an area the size of a tennis court. This brings all the benefits of a forest - climate cooling, lower flood risks, biodiversity, improved air quality, and physical and mental wellbeing right into the heart of urban areas.	<p>The Councils Tree Policy outlines the approach taken to manage and maintain trees and woodlands across the Borough.</p> <p>As part of the Policy, the Council has committed £2.25m to plant 900 trees per year, over 5 years. This includes planting within streets, parks and open spaces, areas to support green infrastructure and urban heat island.</p> <p>Planting within parks and open spaces is delivered through avenue planting, orchard and wood creation.</p>

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				Woodland creation (opposed to mini-forests) is endorsed through the Policy Action Plan and the team welcome opportunities to engage with community groups in identifying locations that would suit such planting schemes.