

London Borough of Barnet – Decisions taken by the Finchley & Golders Green Residents Forum on Tuesday 23 January 2018

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Part A – Items considered in public

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FINCHLEY & GOLDERS GREEN RESIDENTS FORUM

VENUE: Church End Library, 318-320, Gateway House, Regents Park Rd, Finchley, London N3 2LN

Tuesday 23 January 2018, 7pm
 Chairman: Councillor Shimon Ryde
 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 fifth working day before the meeting**
 (For this meeting - **Tuesday 16 January**)

	Issue Raised	Response
1	<p>Petition: Split the two parts of the East Finchley CPZ and allocate the streets in the all-day part of the CPZ a code letter different to the current 'M'. The aim would be to restrict parking in the all-day zone to people who live within this zone. Submitted by: Michael McGrath Signatures: 73 Ward:</p> <p>The Council have confirmed that parking permits are allocated for over 90% of the available bays in the all day 10:00 to 18:30 zone. Any spare spaces are currently occupied by residents who drive the short distance across East Finchley to park near the station. This greatly undermines the utility of the CPZ for residents who suffer the inconvenience and cost of all day parking restrictions. This practice also unnecessarily increases the volume of traffic using residential roads and causes increased pollution. No one in East Finchley CPZ is more than a few minutes walk from the station.</p>	<p>The Chairman agreed to refer this item up to the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee. This area had already been consulted on in relation to previous petitions and referring up would ensure that this area was also included.</p> <p style="text-align: right; vertical-align: middle;">Minute Item 4</p>

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2	<p>Petition: Include Stanhope Avenue and Cavendish Avenue in the next extension of Finchley Church End CPZ Submitted by: Katie Reynolds Signatures: 65 Ward: Finchley Church End</p> <p>We the undersigned, residents of Stanhope Avenue, Stanhope Court, Cavendish Avenue and East End Road, Finchley Church End (N3), petition Barnet Council to include Stanhope Avenue and Cavendish Avenue in the next extension of Finchley Church End CPZ.</p> <p>There is insufficient parking for residents during weekdays, due to the high volume of non-residents parking on Stanhope and Cavendish Avenues during weekdays. It is essential to the residents of Stanhope Avenue, Stanhope Court, Cavendish Avenue & East End Road that controls are introduced in order to deter long-term daytime parking by non-residents.</p> <p>There is already insufficient street parking available in Stanhope & Cavendish Avenues, and the proposed inclusion of other neighbouring streets (such as Templars Crescent) into the CPZ will make the situation considerably worse.</p> <p>We demand that the following two sections of on-street parking are included in the Finchley Church End CPZ:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stanhope Avenue, between East End Road and Mountfield Road • Cavendish Avenue, between East End Road and Mountfield Road. 	<p>The Chairman agreed to refer this item up to the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee. This area had already been consulted on in relation to previous petitions and referring up would ensure that this area was also included.</p>

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3	<p>Parking issue – Wildwood Road Submitted by: Aaron Arik Lawee Ward: Garden Suburb</p> <p>Where should I park? If I park on the road outside my home, mirror is smashed. If I park partially on the pavement, PCN received. Photos attached separately.</p> <p>Parking Issue in NW11 on Wildwood Road outside my home. With no space to park in the driveway, I park on the street.</p> <p>Cars driving past scratch my wing mirror (folded towards the car’s main body as much as the manufacturer will allow) & frequently knock it off. During the night of 26 November 2017 this car’s wing mirror was knocked off. I awoke on the 27th to find half of this car part 5m away from the rest of the car, on the road.</p> <p>During the night of the 27 November 2017 (before being able to be taken to the garage for repair) my car was parked with 2 wheels on the pavement (to avoid being hit). It consequently received a PCN ticket from the London Borough of Barnet. Following payment & repair, this wing mirror has been scratched further by passing cars. Photos attached.</p> <p>Space was left on the pavement for pedestrians, & removed from the road enough for the car to not be smashed again.</p> <p>On 15 Dec 2017 Barnet Councillor John Marshall visited the site with me, & suggested I come to speak with the person/people in charge of parking in my local area on 23 January. Meanwhile, I’ve paid both: 1) the garage to fix my wing mirror, 2) the council for the pcn, & my wing mirrors continue to be scratched & almost smashed again.</p>	<p>It appears that – based on the issue raised – some motorists are not parking responsibly, and under the Council’s responsibilities to ensure traffic flow etc. there may be merit in investigating Wildwood Road again in terms of the possible introduction of more stringent waiting restrictions in certain lengths to deter such obstructive parking, particularly where the road is relatively narrow.</p> <p>Currently the Council assess waiting restriction (yellow line) requests from members of the public on a periodic basis and this request could be investigated and progressed if considered appropriate with funding in 2018/19.</p>

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	<p>Nb, During this process, Barnet Councillors Rohit Grover & Gabriel Rozenberg have not responded at all.</p>	
4	<p>Issue: Rutting at bus stops</p> <p>Submitted by: Mr Levy</p> <p>(i) In item 10 of October's Forum and subsequent correspondence via Cllr Zinkin I raised the issues of bad rutting at the bus stops (a) outside Starbucks, Golders Green Road (b) on Finchley Road southbound (east side) just north of Hermitage Lane. I understand a decision was due by now as to the next funding round(s). Can the council now advise whether these bus stops will be resurfaced in 2018/19, or earlier if so?</p> <p>(ii) If there are still no plans to resurface either of them, please can you provide a costing for patch resurfacing of each one where this is still not planned, so I can propose this for an Area Committee grant?</p>	<p>Highways will arrange for the Bus Stop outside Starbucks, Golders Green Road to be added to the Bus Stop resurfacing programme.</p> <p>We are assessing the road surfacing in other Bus Stop for possible inclusion in the programme. Finchley Road will also be assessed and incorporated in the maintenance repairs programme.</p>
5	<p>Issue: Golders Green Library rear garden</p> <p>Submitted by: Mr Levy</p> <p>This used to be made accessible in clement conditions during summer opening, but has been closed for several years due to unsafe steps and no budget to repair them. Please may I have a costing for the works needed to re-open this garden, so I can propose this for an Area Committee grant?</p>	<p>Cathal Collins Building Surveyor from CSG Building Services Team will visit the library on 25th January 2018 with a contractor. An email has been sent to the Library Manager Rukhsana Jogee regarding the visit.</p> <p>CSG will endeavour to provide an estimate by 2 February.</p> <p>Mr Levy agreed for the surveyor to contact him directly and his details have been passed on.</p>

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6	<p>Issue: Barnet "Report a problem" webform</p> <p>Submitted by: Mr Levy</p> <p>The council has taken some steps to make this more user-friendly, but in a recent twist it appears no longer to provide any info on whether the problem one is seeking to report has already been reported via the form. As I wish to avoid duplication, I find this a disincentive to use this form at all, compared with Fixmystreet.co.uk or phoning in. Please can this be rectified somehow?</p>	<p>Thank you for using our website and giving us your feedback.</p> <p>We agree that this was a really important and useful feature of the previous webform, and we will be doing the necessary technical work to enable us to launch an enhanced version containing that feature later this year.</p> <p>The system that we have used for our new My Account service and webforms did not come with it as standard, so we asked our IT partner Capita to build it especially for us.</p>

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Future meeting dates:

Date of meeting	Location
21 March 2018, 7pm	Henrietta Barnet School, Central Square, Hampstead Garden Suburb, London NW11 7BN

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