

Finchley and Golders Green Resident Forum

2 July 2015

Members Present:-

Councillor Shimon Ryde (Chairman)
Councillor Reuben Thompstone (Vice-Chairman)

1. PARKS ENGAGEMENT

The Forum received a presentation from Elsie Josland, representing the Landscape Architects, enlisted by the Borough, to work on this project.

It was noted that residents would be fully engaged in the process with a number of events planned to facilitate this. A questionnaire would also be widely available to seek residents' views.

Any members of the public wishing to comment directly to the Landscape Architects, were requested to liaise with the Governance Service in order to seek contact details.

2. ISSUES RAISED BY THE HAMPSTEAD GARDEN SUBURB RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION – ISSUE 1

The Forum heard an oral representation from a representative of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents' association, who spoke to the issue raised in the issues list.

The response in the issues list was noted.

3. ISSUE RELATING TO 'ILLEGAL AND INCONSIDERATE PARKING' AROUND FRS SYNAGOGUE AND KINDERGARTEN, 101 FALLOW COURT AVENUE N12, 0BE – ISSUE 2

The Forum received a written representation from a resident present at the meeting, who spoke to the issue raised.

Following discussion of the Issue the Chairman referred the issue to the subsequent meeting of the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee.

4. VARIOUS ROAD SAFETY ISSUES RELATING TO ROADS AROUND PARK VIEW ROAD – ISSUE 3

The Forum received a written representation from a resident present at the meeting, who spoke to the issue raised.

Following discussion of the Issue the Chairman referred the issue to the subsequent meeting of the Area Committee.

5. ISSUE RELATING TO SPEEDING ALONG ETCHINGHAM PARK ROAD – ISSUE 4

The Forum received an oral representation from a resident relating to the issue, who spoke to the matter.

Following discussion of the Issue the Chairman referred the issue to the subsequent meeting of the Area Committee.

6. CPZ CONSULTATION 25365 – ISSUE 5

The Forum considered the Issue which was outlined in the list of issues.

The response in the issues list was noted.

7. CPZ – MORTIMER CLOSE – ISSUE 6

The Forum received an oral representation from a resident relating to the issue, who spoke to the matter.

Following discussion of the Issue the Chairman referred the issue to the subsequent meeting of the Area Committee.

8. ISSUE RELATING TO KARA WAY PLAYGROUND – ISSUE 7

The Forum received a representation from a resident relating to the issue, who spoke to the matter.

- 1. that the response in the issues list be noted;**
- 2. Officers were instructed to provide an additional response to the resident within 20 working days.**

Action: Street Scene Director

9. ISSUES RELATING TO THE RAILWAY TERRACES – ISSUE 8

The Forum received an oral representation from a resident regarding the issue. Concerns were noted in relating to bollards, traffic around the timber yard and that appropriate traffic measures would be welcomed.

The response in the issues list was noted

10. ISSUE RELATING TO KARA WAY PLAYGROUND – ISSUE 9

The Forum heard an oral representation from a resident with regard to this matter.

The response in the issues list was noted.

11. ISSUE RELATING TO FOOTPATHS OBSTRUCTED BY OVERGROWN HEDGES – ISSUE 10

The Forum received an oral representation from a resident, who requested information on the timeframe of how long it would take an Officer to investigate a trip hazard after one is reported. The Commissioning Director of Environment, who was present, stated that 48 hours is the expected timeframe.

- 1. the response in the issues list was noted;**
- 2. Officers were instructed to provide an additional response to the resident within 20 working days regarding whether there are performance measures regarding how long it takes officers to investigate trip hazards after being reported.**

Action: Commissioning Director of Environment

12. ISSUES RELATING TO DOLLIS BROOK – ISSUE 11

The Forum received an oral representation from a resident, who noted concerns about the dual use of Dollis Valley cycle track. They requested whether it is possible to insert additional words to signs on the footpath in order to better regulate the flow of cycle traffic.

- 1. the response in the issues list was noted;**
- 2. Officers were instructed to provide an additional response to the resident within 20 working days regarding the feasibility of the suggestion.**

Action: Street Scene Director

13. VARIOUS ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENT – ISSUE 12

The Forum received an oral representation from a resident on the issue. The resident raised concerns regarding the transaction of the new Council waste depot – specifically what the reasons behind the agreement were. The resident also enquired about whether there is a buyer for the Victoria Park Lodge.

- 1. the response in the issues list was noted;**
- 2. Officers were instructed to provide an additional response to the resident within 20 working days regarding:**
 - The reasons behind the agreement to sell Victoria Park Lodge**
 - Whether Victoria Park Lodge has been sold and, if so, who the buyer is**

Action: Head of Estates

14. ISSUES RELATING TO DOLLIS BROOK – ISSUE 13

The Forum received an oral representation from a resident regarding the Dollis Valley Brook.

- 1. the response in the issues list was noted;**
- 2. Officers were instructed to provide an additional response to the resident within 20 working days, specifically in order to arrange an Officer to conduct a site visit mentioned by the resident in their issue**

Action: Street Scene Director

15. PARKING AND SPEEDING PROBLEMS ON FRIARY WAY AND VALLEY AVENUE – ISSUE 14

The Forum received an oral representation from a resident regarding the issue.

Following discussion of the Issue the Chairman referred the issue to the subsequent meeting of the Area Committee.

16. PETITION REGARDING PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON GOLDERS GARDENS (42 SIGNATURES) – ISSUE 15

The Forum received an oral representation Mr David Hersh regarding this petition, which contained 42 signatures.

The response in the issues list was noted.

17. PETITION REGARDING THE SALE OF VICTORIA PARK LODGE (78 SIGNATURES) – ISSUE 16

The Forum received an oral representation from Ms Mary O'Connor regarding this petition, which contained 78 signatures. Ms O'Connor queried whether there is any proof that the Council is the sole trustee for the Victoria Park Lodge.

It was agreed

- 1. the response in the issues list was noted;**
- 2. Officers were instructed to provide an additional response to the resident within 20 working days, specifically regarding whether proof that the Council is the sole trustee for the lodge.**

Action: Head of Estates

The Forum noted the following meeting dates:

Date
21 October 2015 at 6.30pm
13 January 2016 at 6.30pm
30 March 2016 at 6.30pm

The meeting finished at 8.17pm