Decisions of the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee

30 March 2016

Members Present:-

Councillor Graham Old (Chairman) Councillor Peter Zinkin (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Geof CookeCouncillor Rohit GroverCouncillor Kath McGuirkCouncillor Reuben Thompstone

Apologies for Absence

Councillor Alon Or-Bach

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The Committee **RESOLVED** that subject to the correction on page 2 of the minutes to include the wording 'and fly tipping' as below, the minutes of the meeting held on 13th January 2016 be agreed as a correct record:

'The committee noted that greater enforcement of street dumping <u>and fly tipping</u> is required in order to address this – and similar – issues.'

The Committee further noted that in relation to Item 9, page 2 of the minutes, a report will be submitted to the Environment Committee on this issue.

In relation to item 11 on page 3 of the minutes, the Committee requested to receive an update about the motion moved by Councillor Old pertaining to Garden Suburb CPZ which was carried as set out on page 3 (**Action**):

iii. The committee instruct the Commissioning Director for Environment to consult with ward councillors regarding the implications and feasibility of amending the wording of the consultation before it begins.

2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (IF ANY)

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Alon Or-bach who was substituted by Councillor Arjun Mittra.

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS (IF ANY)

The following interests were declared:

Councillor	Nature of	Item No.	Details of Interest
	interest		
Peter Zinkin	Non-pecuniary	8	That the Councillor lives on
			Armitage Road.
Arjun Mittra	Non-pecuniary	8	That the Councillor lives on

			Claremont Park.
Kath McGuirk	Non-pecuniary	7b	That the Councillor's GP Practise is situated on the road mentioned in
			the report item.

4. REPORT OF THE MONITORING OFFICER (IF ANY)

None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS (IF ANY)

The Committee received a public comment from Mr Ron Rosenhead about agenda item 10, in relation to the petition to 'Change parking restriction times'.

6. AREA COMMITTEE GRANTS FUNDING - BUDGET INFORMATION

The Chairman welcomed Patricia Phillipson, Head of Finance who introduced the report. The Committee noted that a revised Appendix to the report was published and made available to the Committee.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED**:

That the Committee noted the amount available for allocations as set out in Appendix 1.

7. MEMBERS' ITEMS (IF ANY)

Three Members' Items were received which were included on the agenda of the meeting under number 7a, 7b and 7c.

a) MEMBER'S ITEMS - NON-CIL AREA COMMITTEE FUNDING - COUNCILLOR KATH MCGUIRK AND COUNCILLOR ALON OR-BACH

The Committee considered this report, which detailed the FGG Area Committee requests for non-CIL community funding, submitted by Members of the Committee, in accordance with the revised Area Committee Budget processes agreed in July 2015.

The Committee considered a Community funding application for TESYouth (Training, Employment & Social Development for Youth) project. The Sponsor Member, Councillor McGuirk introduced the application and briefed the Committee about the aims of the project to deliver a programme of activities for young, disadvantaged and long term unemployed people in Barnet in the age range 18 – 25. Councillor McGuirk also noted that the project is a good opportunity for engagement with young people from all communities.

Upon invitation from the Chairman, the Committee received representation from a speaker about the workshop sessions and the benefits which have been delivered to enable young people in the borough to improve their lives and job prospects.

In response to a query from Councillor Thompstone, the Committee heard that different communication methods are used to make contact with the target group of the project, such as through newsletters, Job Centre Plus, work placements, schools and other channels.

Councillor Mittra introduced the Area Committee funding application for Art Against Knives – The LAB project and noted the objectives of the early intervention programme.

The Committee noted that the application process and guidelines for submission of non-CIL Area Committee funding for 2016/17 was approved by the Community Leadership Committee on 9th March 2016. Councillor Zinkin requested that the CLC report and relevant appendices be circulated to the membership of the Area Committee. (**Action**)

The Committee unanimously **RESOLVED**:

1. That in relation to the TESYouth Project (Appendix A), the Committee considered the application for non-CIL Community funding and provided instructions in relation to this Member's item, to:

a) Approve the funding proposal of £9,460 towards the TESYouth Project, subject to due diligence tests being met.

2. That in relation to the Art Against Knives – The LAB Project (Appendix B), the Committee considered the application for non-CIL Community funding and provided instructions in relation to this Member's item, to:

(a) Approve the funding proposal of £9,060 towards the Art Against Knives – The LAB Project, subject to due diligence tests being met.

b) MEMBER'S ITEM - NO THROUGH ROUTE SIGNS FOR HGVS - COUNCILLOR GRAHAM OLD

The Chairman, Councillor Old, introduced the Member's Item in his name and noted the issues in relation to HGVs and large vehicles manoeuvring and attempting to access the North Circular Road through Briarfield and Rosemary Avenues. Mr Richard Chalmers (Associate Director Highways, Re) noted the issues raised and the need for clear visibility of any road signs.

It was unanimously **RESOLVED**:

That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee requests that Commissioning Director for Environment (Highways Team) provide a Report on the issues raised, to be reported at a future meeting of the Committee.

c) MEMBER'S ITEM - THE TEMPLE FORTUNE AND GARDEN SUBURB CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES - COUNCILLOR ROHIT GROVER Councillor Grover introduced the Member's Item in connection with the Temple Fortune and Garden Suburb CPZs and noted that a petition had been submitted which sets out that a greater number of people elect to park in this part of the Temple Fortune CPZ rather than in other parts of the Temple Fortune CPZ or in the Garden Suburb CPZ. The petitioner had also described how the increase in displaced parking, lasting several hours, has reduced significantly the turnover of parking and therefore did not help users of local services, businesses and shops.

Upon invitation from the Chairman, the Committee received a representation from Mr David White. Mr White briefed the Committee about the issues raised in the report and explained how this has caused significant parking problems for residents of Hampstead Way and Asmuns Place. The Committee noted the preferred recommendation submitted in the report, that *'the end of Hampstead Way (Nos. 142-166) and Asmuns Place remain in the TF CPZ zone with two restricted times 10-11 am and 3-4pm and residents permits are changed to TF/GS at no extra cost to residents'.*

Mr Richard Chalmers, Associate Director Highways Re, noted the importance of the issues raised and the need for review of the current CPZ arrangements.

- 1. The Committee unanimously **RESOLVED** that:
- a) The Commissioning Director for Environment (Highways Team) be delegated, to investigate the feasibility of the preferred recommendation i.e.: 'the end of Hampstead Way (Nos. 142-166) and Asmuns Place remain in the TF CPZ zone with two restricted times 10-11 am and 3-4pm and residents permits are changed to TF/GS at no extra cost to residents' and after consultation with the Chairman and Garden Suburb Ward Members to proceed with any necessary public consultation and then implementation.
- b) The Committee agreed that expenditure up to £5,000 from the Area Committee Budget can be made available for this process.

8. HIGHWAYS PLANNED MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME 2016/17

Mr Richard Chalmers introduced the item which sets out the proposed works for Finchley & Golders Green constituency.

Mr Chalmers invited the Committee to forward any complaints received from residents about road surfacing, footways and any other Scheme issues to Highways. He further noted that the Highways Team has been working closely together with other departments such as Green Spaces and Street Scene.

In relation to the proposed programme of works, Mr Chalmers informed the Committee that suggestions and observations about items of works that are proposed for subsequent years in the Network Recovery Programme could be brought forward and be submitted to the Highways Team.

Following discussion, the Committee unanimously **RESOLVED**:

1. That the Area Committee noted the report and the decision made by the

Environment Committee on 11 January 2016

2. That the Area Committee considered appendix A to the report and commented as above on the proposed works by wards during 2016 / 2017 which are therefore relevant to the constituency.

9. PROGRESS UPDATE ON FINCHLEY AND GOLDERS GREEN AREA COMMITTEE ACTIONS

The Chairman welcomed the report and expressed that he wishes to make representation for works to be brought forward on the programme of works, which related to the condition of part of the pavements in Windsor Road, F155. This is currently listed under proposed Footway Works for 2019/2020. (Action)

Councillor McGuirk requested to receive information from Mr Chalmers about the intended consultation procedure in connection with C580, The Grove listed under the proposed Carriageway Schemes. (**Action**)

Councillor Cooke noted for the need for the Committee to receive an update about the proposal for Mesh Parking on the Green Near Summerside School and consultation with the relevant ward Members.

Following discussion, a Member moved a motion for an additional recommendation which was duly seconded.

That the Committee receive an officer's Report at its next meeting with approximate funding costs in relation to the proposal for Mesh Parking on the Green Near Summerside School

The motion was unanimously carried and therefore became the substantive motion.

The Committee unanimously **RESOLVED**:

- 1. That the Committee noted the update and actions set out in Annex 1 of this report.
- 2. In the matter of Lambert Way, N12

i. That the Committee noted the update provided in appendix 1 of this report ii. That the Committee agrees the expenditure of £3,000 from the Area Committee budgets to undertake a feasibility study on proposals to review parking and traffic on Lambert Way.

iii. That the Committee noted that a report on the findings of the feasibility study and officer recommendations will be provided to a future meeting of the F&GG Area Committee meeting.

3. In the matter of Holders Hill Road, NW4

i. That the Committee noted the update provided in appendix 1 of this report ii. That the Committee agrees the expenditure of £7,500 from the Area Committee budgets to undertake a feasibility study on proposals to review parking and improve traffic flow on Holder Hill Road (near the Cemetery) iii. That the Committee noted that a report on the findings of the feasibility study and officer recommendations will be provided to a future meeting of the F&GG Area Committee meeting.

4. In the matter of a request for CPZ in Leslie Road, N2

i. That the Committee noted the update provided in appendix 1 of this report ii. That the Committee agrees the expenditure of £10,000 from the Area Committee budgets to undertake a feasibility study on a review of parking on roads outside the East Finchley CPZ including Leslie and Leopold Roads.

iii. That the Committee noted that a report on the findings of the feasibility study and officer recommendations will be provided to a future meeting of the F&GG Area Committee meeting.

5. That the Committee requested to receive an officer's Report at its next meeting with approximate funding costs in relation to the proposal for Mesh Parking on the Green Near Summerside School

10. PETITIONS FOR THE COMMITTEE'S CONSIDERATION

Prior to consideration of the item, the Chairman of the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee, Councillor Graham Old noted an update about the e-petition facility. The Governance Officer informed the Committee that the Council's current e-petition site will be de-commissioned on 31st March and that as of 1st of April a new e-petitions webpage will be launched. It was further noted that all existing e-petitions will be migrated automatically and that the number of signatures already accrued will not be affected.

The Committee considered the petition relating to road safety on Squires Lane. Ms Lucy Clyde joined the meeting and made a representation to the Committee as the Lead Petitioner.

In response to the issues raised, Mr Chalmers noted the safety concerns for pedestrians crossing, particularly with the number of schools in the vicinity.

The Committee therefore requested that the matter be given priority in terms of officer resources. Following discussion of the Squires Lane petition, it was unanimously **RESOLVED**:

• That the Committee requested that in relation to the issues stated in the Squires Lane petition, an officer's report be submitted to the next meeting of the Finchley & Golders Green Area Committee with a firm timetable of possible measures and where further representation is needed to the Environment Committee – that this is also set out in the report.

The Committee considered a petition relating to Barnet Homes. The Committee unanimously **RESOLVED**:

• That the Barnet Homes petition be referred to the Housing Committee for consideration at its next (available) meeting pending Chairman's approval as an urgent item on the agenda.

The Committee also considered the petition on parking restriction times. A representation

was delivered from the Lead Petitioner, Mr Zographos.

Following discussion of the petition, Councillor Cooke moved a motion which was duly seconded for a recommendation in response to the issues raised in the petition:

That this petition be referred to the Environment Committee for consideration and that the Environment Committee also consider a potential review of North Finchley CPZs.

Having been put to the vote, the motion was declared carried and became the substantive motion.

It was therefore **RESOLVED**:

That this petition be referred to the Environment Committee for consideration and that the Environment Committee also consider a potential review of North Finchley CPZs.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For	3
Against	2
Abstentions	2

11. FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee noted the standing item on the agenda, Forward Work Programme, which sets out the items for 2016/17. The Committee instructed that the requested officer reports be included on the Forward Work Programme for consideration at forthcoming meetings.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee considered and commented as above on the items included in the 2016/17 work programme.

12. ANY ITEM(S) THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

The Committee considered the report which sets the application for non-CIL community funding for the Barnet Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, submitted by Councillor Peter Zinkin. The Chairman moved a motion which was duly seconded and unanimously agreed to alter the wording of the second recommendation to include 'subject to further agreement of the Hendon and Chipping Barnet Area Committees to fund their share of the total funding requested', therefore it was unanimously **RESOLVED**:

That the Finchley and Golders Green Area Committee agrees to:

(a) support the application for funding, subject to due diligence tests being met and subject to further agreement of the Hendon and Chipping Barnet Area Committees to fund their share of the total funding requested.

The meeting finished at 9.25 pm