

FINCHLEY & GOLDERS GREEN RESIDENTS FORUM

VENUE: Henrietta Barnet School, Hampstead Garden Suburb, London NW11 7BN

Wednesday 5th July at 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 this will be Wednesday 28th June 2017).

	Issue Raised	Response
1	<p>Petition: Install a pedestrian crossing on the High Road at Fortis Green. Submitted by: Paul Spencer Signatures: 25</p> <p>This is a petition to Barnet Council to install a pedestrian crossing on the High Road equidistant between the crossing to the traffic lights at Fortis Green and the one by Huntingdon Road (i.e. just south of Beresford Road). In busy times it is difficult to cross the High Road to get to shops (particularly on a winters evening at rush hour) . In crossing from the West Side a pedestrian looks to see if the lights are red and that the flow of vehicles has stopped. And there is a hazard of more vehicles coming even after the lights are red.</p> <p>At this point one looks to the left to see if there is a clear safety distance to cross against oncoming traffic. Given a short opportunity there is always the possibility of a parked car moving out into the traffic – just as the pedestrian is about the cross (And even the possibility of a southbound vehicle turning across the road to park by the shops.</p>	<p>To be dealt with in line with the Council's constitution:</p> <p>The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following the presentation the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Take no action;• Refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days; or• Refer the matter to the relevant Area Committee (if funding is required)

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	<p>The other chance for the pedestrian shopper is to get halfway – to the middle of the road- and ‘risk it’.</p> <p>The distance between the two existing crossings is approximately 240 meters. Thus quite a long walk for an old person or a heavily loaded shopper.</p> <p>The provision of a crossing would relieve the stress to pedestrians crossing, particularly old people, and reduce the possibility of an accident.</p> <p>We the undersigned residents of this borough, request that a crossing be installed.</p>	
2	<p>Petition – CPZ Lyndhurst Gardens Submitted by: Mr Fenton Signatures: 25</p> <p>We would like Barnet Council to implement a CPZ on Lyndhurst Gardens.</p> <p>Parking for residents is now impossible during the week. This is due to a number of factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Non-residents park on the road to access Finchley central station - Work for high street business including the new sainsburys and provide overflow parking for the Travelodge and free parking for officers and nearby residents. - Lyndhurst gardens also provides opportunity for residents that live on Dollis Park that do not wish to buy permits for free. - Commercial vehicles, trades people that are providing services to new developments (which is only going to get worse when 	<p>To be dealt with in line with the Council’s constitution:</p> <p>The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following the presentation the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take no action; • Refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days; or • Refer the matter to the relevant Area Committee (if funding is required)

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	<p>completed) or works on any of the streets locally with CPZ.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - During the St Marys drop off and pick up times parents jostle for parking park over drive ways and cause frustrations to residents. <p>We strongly urge the council to introduce a CPZ to prevent commuters and holidaymakers and other non-residents abusing the free parking in the road and allow residents to park in the vicinity.</p>	
3	<p>Petition: Solar House 915 High Road House Submitted by: Maria Byrne Signatures 33</p> <p>As the application in connection with the proposed development of the south wing of Solar House by St Barnanbas was approved at the planning committee last night, local residents are concerned to make sure that parking and traffic issues are ameliorated by Barnet putting in place measures.</p> <p>Proposal 1 – Resident only parking in new zone within a zone Proposal 2 – CPZ hours extension and issue of visitor permit Proposal 3 – Issues of yearly visitors permit Proposal 4 – Change of pay & display bays to residents on Highwood Avenue. Proposal 5 – Further obligations on St Barnabas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Not to permit St Barnabas to apply for any visitors vouchers for ZN zone; and 2. Solar House parking spaces within the development to be used by staff and disabled persons only. <p>We the undersigned, are concerned residents who urge Barnet Council to act and implement the above proposals 1-5 inclusive.</p>	<p>To be dealt with in line with the Council’s constitution:</p> <p>The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following the presentation the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take no action; • Refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days; or • Refer the matter to the relevant Area Committee (if funding is required)

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4	<p>Petition: Improve air quality in Barnet Submitted by: Mr Levy Signatures 43</p> <p>We the undersigned petition the council to deliver continued actions to improve air quality including: (i) to relieve traffic congestion around schools and educate at and around schools against engine idling; (ii) for parking wardens to advise those they see engine idling not to do so unnecessarily; (iii) much more stretching targets for responding to smoke pollution incidents; (iv) monitoring to ensure those who try to call Environmental Health can get through easily; (v) modestly priced collections of excess green garden/allotment waste, to discourage burning.</p>	<p>To be dealt with in line with the Council's constitution:</p> <p>The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following the presentation the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take no action; • Refer the matter to a chief officer to respond to within 20 working days; or • Refer the matter to the relevant Area Committee (if funding is required)
5	<p>Issue: Crossovers in repaving works Submitted by: Peter Hale</p> <p>Pavement crossover construction I am concerned with the practical implementation of crossovers in repaving works. I understand 'crossover' to mean a reinforced section of pavement to give access across the pavement. The majority of crossovers are from residential properties from which vehicles may cross over a few times a day compared with the major volume of pedestrians using the pavement. 'crossover' implies that the pedestrian has priority the surface of which should be level therefore the ramped section of the crossover should be of optimal depth in order to maintain the widest level pavement. Recent crossovers in repaving work have varied and in many cases the crossover ramp has been taken across the pavement resulting in an undulating surface for pedestrians. Is the Highways Section aware of this varied construction? I have asked to speak to a Highways Officer about this matter on site and although promised a meeting it has not been arranged.</p>	<p>Thank you for your enquiry. We have taken your comments on board and this information will be discussed with our Senior Site Supervisors.</p> <p>Highways can confirm that vehicle crossovers are constructed to allow vehicles to safely cross over the pavement in order to gain access to and from properties, and not in favour of pedestrians. The construction level of crossovers has not changed and they are normally restored to the exact level after repaving, as they were beforehand.</p> <p>Highways have noted your comments regarding varied constructions of crossovers and presume you mean the material used to construct the crossover and can confirm that these materials have recently changed, since September 1st 2016 and do differ from previous constructions. This is due to the agreement made at the July 2016 Environment Committee, where an asphalt treatment with block paving margins and vehicle crossovers</p>

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<p>A consistency of construction to give level pavement for pedestrians</p>	<p>became the default treatment type for footway relay, unless the road is in a Conservation or Town Centre Area and then it will be all paving. Therefore, although the level of crossovers remain the same, they may appear different as they material has changed.</p> <p>We understand that you would like to discuss this further and would be happy to arrange for a member of our Highways team to meet you on-site. Please provide two suitable dates/times.</p> <p>Highways.Correspondence@barnet.gov.uk</p>
<p>Finchley and Golders Green – submitted by Peter Hale Condition of Footpaths – The Walks N2 & The Causeway N2 Both these footpaths are busy pedestrian routes in poor condition. The Walks – Market Place to Church Lane N2 The Walks are an ancient route which is very useful to pedestrians. The condition of the pavement surface, fences etc. require maintenance and upgrading. The Causeway – East End Road to East Finchley Underground Station The Causeway is a busy pedestrian route especially during morning and evening rush hours. The condition of the narrow pavement on The Causeway road is in poor condition and hedging frequently obstructs the narrow path. The path continuing onward to East Finchley Station requires surface maintenance and improved hedge pruning. I would like to meet a Highways Officer on site to discuss improvements carry out maintenance and upgrading</p>	<p>Highways have made note of your concerns and would be happy to discuss at the site meeting referred to in Issue 5 above.</p> <p>During this meeting you can raise your concerns in further detail and possible solutions to this problem can be discussed.</p> <p>Highways.correspondence@barnet.gov.uk</p>

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Future meeting dates:

Date of meeting	Location
5 th July 2017	Henrietta Barnet School
18 th October 2017	To be confirmed