

HENDON RESIDENTS FORUM

VIRTUAL TEAMS MEETING

Tuesday 15 June 2021

Chairman: Anthony Finn BSc (Econ) FCA

Vice-Chairman: Councillor Nizza Fluss

ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE FORUM MEETING

Items must be submitted to Governance Service (Hendon.residentsforum@barnet.gov.uk) by 10am on the fifth working day before the meeting.

	Issue Raised	Response
1.	<p>Petition: Safe Pedestrian Crossing over Frith Lane opposite Finchley Golf Club Lead Petitioner: Jennifer Roberts Ward: Mill Hill Number of signatures: 57</p> <p>We the undersigned petition the council to Provide a pedestrian island refuge on Frith Lane opposite The Paddocks (entrance to Finchley Golf Club) at the point where many residents need to cross this very busy road. With the rapid expansion of Millbrook Park, pedestrian improvements are urgently needed on the section of Frith Lane opposite The Paddocks (entrance to Finchley Golf Club). Many residents need to cross at this point to access the Lovers Walk footpath connecting to West Finchley and Finchley Central. Crossing Frith Lane at that point is increasingly dangerous. Pedestrians are forced to dash across when a gap arises between cars, buses and lorries. Currently, the only nearby pedestrian refuge is far down beyond one of the 221 bus stops and the Highways Dept has acknowledged that it requires a "significant detour" for many residents to use it. A new safe place to cross is therefore urgently needed equidistant between the two 221 bus stops.</p>	<p>Whilst the island near Inglis Way would also serve pedestrians walking in the direction of the school from the Lovers Walk footpath, we appreciate it would involve a significant detour for many residents from the some of the new housing areas who want to use the footpath.</p> <p>The road layout does restrict what can be done here. On initial inspection it appears that a pedestrian refuge may be feasible on the stretch of road between the two bus stops, close to the point where the traffic lanes split to create a right turn lane.</p> <p>Funding of £5k will be required for a feasibility study to investigate pedestrians' improvements measures at this location, including traffic surveys, site investigations and is applicable initial design of proposals.</p>

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<p>2.</p> <p>Petition: The Bottleneck on The Ridgeway (junction of Burtonehole Lane) Lead Petitioner: Mehdy Shojai Ward: Mill Hill Number of signatures: 52</p> <p>We the undersigned petition the council to Parking restrictions should be applied on one side of The Ridgeway at the junctions with Burtonehole Lane, where there is a traffic bottleneck everyday specially at the morning and afternoon rush hours (school drop off and pick up times).</p> <p>The road is quite narrow, and cars parked on both sides make it only possible for one line of traffic to go through with difficulty. The double deck buses and large construction lorries and vehicles frequently going through this road and the traffic gets locked easily with one or two of these large vehicles. The waiting time could be as long as 20 minutes in some occasions.</p> <p>The problem is easily gets solved if one side of the road has yellow lines. With new developments like Ridgeway View or Millbrook Park being completed in this area in near future, the problem will be exacerbated.</p>	<p>We will arrange for an officer to assess the location to consider whether waiting restrictions would help improve the traffic issues that are reportedly taking place.</p> <p>Following the assessment, we will contact the lead petitioner to update them on next steps and timeframes. Please be mindful that the council is required to undertake a statutory consultation to inform the residents of the proposals, and subject to feedback received we will decide on how we proceed.</p> <p>We will ensure that the lead petitioner is also included so they can feedback during the consultation process.</p>	
<p>3.</p> <p>Petition: To stop cars from blocking the Access Road that runs behind the shops fronting Watford Way and running from Hendale Avenue to Greyhound Hill. Lead Petitioner: Yan Bramayanto Ward: Hendon Number of signatures: 29</p> <p>To secure all reasonable access for residents, their cars as well as emergency vehicles, such as fire engines and ambulances, so as to enable them to pass through the Access Road behind the shops.</p>	<p>The Access Road behind Watford Way parade of shops which runs from Hendale Avenue to Greyhound Hill belongs to LBB. The land in question on the North-East side of Greyhound Hill between Watford way and outside 68 Greyhound Hill is under the jurisdiction of TfL.</p> <p>Following a consultation with residents, we will consider the viability of amending the Single Yellow Lines to Double Yellow Lines on Greyhound Hill to match with that of Hendale Avenue and will also consider introducing loading restrictions outside 66 Greyhound Hill.</p>	

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	<p>The access road is the narrow road that we use to get to our flats at the rear of our building, that is behind the shops at the front.</p> <p>Currently the owners of the shops repeatedly block the access road by using it as a their own personal car parking spaces and also in particular the owners of Aureus Automotive Cars, who use the access road as a car washing facility and also to park cars that they have no space for in their car sales showroom.</p> <p>This is a dangerous nuisance for all residents and a breach of resident's rights and reasonable right of way to or homes.</p> <p>I am therefore asking to stop these breaches of our right of access to our homes and to allow us to drive our cars through the access road without hindrance and for the access road to not be used as a business carpark, or a car wash below our flats.</p>	<p>We will contact TfL and request that they refresh the markings on their land.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Issue: Mill Hill Conservation Area Advisory Committee (CAAC) Lead Petitioner: Victor Montefiore Ward: Mill Hill</p> <p>"The Council has established a Mill Hill Conservation Area Advisory Committee (CAAC), comprising a number of local residents together with representatives from amenity societies, including The Mill Hill Preservation Society and the Mill Hill Historical Society. The Council consults the CAAC on applications affecting the conservation area." [Adopted] "Recommendation 6: The Council will continue to work together with the CAAC to preserve and enhance the character and appearance of the Mill Hill Conservation Area."</p> <p>Source: Mill Hill Conservation Area Character Appraisal Statement, Adopted April 2008.</p>	<p>A) The Mill Hill CAAC, along with other CAAC's in the borough, meet regularly to assess planning applications received within their area (Mill Hill Conservation Area). The comments supplied are recorded by the case officer as part of the consultation process and given due consideration in determining whether planning permission should be granted.</p> <p>B) Conservation Area Advisory Committees are typically made up of representatives of local amenity groups, local history societies and other organisations with an interest and often some expertise in heritage, architecture and planning. The make-up of the CAAC's is intended to provide well-</p>

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	<p>Please can Barnet Council explain</p> <p>A) how Barnet Council currently works with the Mill Hill CAAC in practice</p> <p>B) how this is any different from Barnet Council taking planning feedback from the committee members in an individual private capacity as if they were residents and not CAAC members</p>	<p>considered, defensible comments following debate between CAAC members. The comments from the CAAC are useful as they can provide a collective view of a proposal from representatives of different local groups. This does not, however, preclude members from commenting individually or indeed as part of a separate group. Often comments will be received from a number of groups as well as the CAAC.</p>
5.	<p>Issue: Pavement Build-Out Lead Speaker: Mr Levy Ward: Hendon</p> <p>The pavement build-out outside 54 The Burroughs, NW4 has worsened things for pedestrians, as the lack of drainage results in the whole footway up to the building line being obstructed with storm water, which can persist for considerable time after rain. A public fault report was submitted in October last year, but the problem persists.</p> <p>(i) Can it be fitted with effective drainage please?</p> <p>(ii) Many pavement build-outs in Barnet have been added with no integral drainage, causing storm water pooling and sometimes costly remedial works. Why not ensure integral drainage when they are built, to any low points created?</p>	<p>The Lead Speaker will be given three minutes to present the Issue to the Forum. Following the presentation, the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • note the issue and take no action • instruct that an appropriate named officer contact the resident within 20 working days to provide an additional response and that this response be published in the meeting documents available on the website. • instruct that Ward Members are notified of the issue • decide that the issue be referred to the next meeting of an Area Committee for consideration, subject to the issue being within the terms of reference of an Area Committee.”

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<p>Issue: A41 Hendon Central Junctions Lead Speaker: Mr Levy Ward: Hendon</p> <p>6. Pursuant to item 1 of the March 2020 Forum: Petition on A41 Hendon Central Junctions, which was referred to the Area Committee. The Committee (September 2020) actioned that TfL be asked to comment on the petition's proposals. TfL's response, received by Cris Tavares (March 2021) states that their funding system/priorities do not provide for funding such changes, but it did not reject them outright.</p>	<p>The Lead Speaker will be given three minutes to present the Issue to the Forum. Following the presentation, the Residents Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • note the issue and take no action • instruct that an appropriate named officer contact the resident within 20 working days to provide an additional response and that this response be published in the meeting documents available on the website. • instruct that Ward Members are notified of the issue

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<p>I therefore believe they are eligible for Area Committee funding as I originally proposed, being proposals for which there is not an existing funding stream, and although they all relate to matters controlled by TfL, the first of the Petition's proposals was considered eligible for such a grant by the same committee following a separate initiative by Cllr Saira Don. I therefore seek to bring this matter back to the Area Committee.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> decide that the issue be referred to the next meeting of an Area Committee for consideration, subject to the issue being within the terms of reference of an Area Committee.”

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Future meeting dates of the Hendon Residents' Forum:

Date of meeting	Location
<p>15 June 2021 7 October 2021 10 Jan 2022 2 March 2022</p>	<p>Virtual Meeting.</p>