

FINCHLEY & GOLDERS GREEN RESIDENTS FORUM

Greek Cypriot Brotherhood Community Centre, Britannia Road, North Finchley, London N12 9RU

TUESDAY, 25 JUNE 2013

Chairman: Councillor Graham Old
Vice-Chairman: Councillor John Marshall

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 second working day before the meeting** (for example, if a meeting is due to take place on a Tuesday evening, questions must be received by 10am on the preceding Friday)

	Issue Raised	Response
1.	<p>Petition: Residents of Erskine Hill objection to proposed extension of Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) in Hampstead Garden Suburb (43 signatories)</p> <p><i>Mr Siddiek Meer / Mr Julian Glaser</i></p>	<p>The petition has been noted and Officers must apologise as it has not been referred to in the report detailing the outcome of the statutory consultation for the proposed Garden Suburb CPZ due to be considered tonight at the Finchley and Golders Green Area Environment Sub-Committee.</p> <p>There are no plans to introduce CPZ restrictions in Erskine Hill, and all relevant objections to the proposal have been considered; tonight's Sub-Committee, having considered the content of the report will be asked to make a decision on which roads if any, should be included in the Hampstead Garden Suburb CPZ.</p> <p>Although the petition is acknowledged, it does not give grounds for the objection to the introduction of a CPZ but officers look forward to hearing of the specifics that prompted this particular petition that will no doubt be factored into any subsequent decision that might be made on the future of the scheme.</p>
2.	<p>Petition: St. Elizabeth Court car park, Mayfield Avenue, London N12 - requesting if a mirror could be positioned on the tree opposite the exit from the car park, which would allow a view both ways (25 signatories)</p> <p><i>Mr Mike Randal</i></p>	<p>This location was investigated in December 2012 but recommendations could not be put forward due to a lack of justification within the context of the current criteria that includes consideration of aspects including accident history, traffic volume and speeds.</p> <p>Specific consideration of a mirror on the Public Highway can only be given once it is established that there is a need for traffic management intervention and that all other options have been excluded as not appropriate. Even then, if a mirror is supported it requires specific approval from the Department for Transport.</p>

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		<p>There is evidence that rather than improving safety, a mirror could (in certain circumstances) increase the risk e.g. reflecting light and interfere with a driver's vision; reducing the ability to judge an oncoming vehicle's speed; creating an unreasonable dependence on the mirror; distort or restrict the view and; be an easy target for vandals.</p> <p>However, whilst it is not intended to pursue the specific request for a mirror, Officers will visit the area again to see if anything can be done to improve sight lines by assessing the existing parking layout and will advise the lead petitioner of any intended action.</p>
3.	<p>Spencer Close and Regents Park Road N3 – request for a crossing refuge, along with a yellow 'keep clear' box.</p> <p><i>Ms Rosie Page</i></p>	<p>This location has previously been investigated although no recommendations were put forward due to concerns regarding the probable impact on through traffic and subsequent increase in queue. However, we are happy to review our position on the matter and liaise with Ms Page on this accordingly.</p>
4.	<p>The water company have finished digging up the road near the northbound 'Llanvanor Rd' bus stop in Finchley Road.</p> <p>There are several dips in the road surface just by the bus stop. This means that, in wet weather, people are liable to be splashed by buses driving through the puddles.</p> <p><i>Mr Andrew Tucker</i></p>	<p>A Street Works inspector has visited this location and identified that the issue of concern has not materialised as a result of the recent works carried out by the Water Company. It will be dealt with as a highway maintenance issue and subject to meeting the Councils intervention criteria and available budgets will be dealt with within the next 28 days.</p>
5.	<p>Changes to Waste Services from 14 October 2013</p>	<p>Presentation by Jason Armitage (Head of Waste and Recycling)</p>
6.	<p>Questionnaire on Residents Forums</p>	<p>At the Constitution, Ethics and Probity Committee meeting on 10 April 2013 it was agreed that as part of the review of the Constitution in 2013/14 that residents be asked for their views on proposals relating to Area Sub-Committees and Forums. Proposals will be brought back to the Constitution, Ethics and Probity Committee on 8 July.</p> <p>Residents are invited to provide suggestions and are requested to complete the questionnaire which has been circulated.</p>

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Future meeting dates:

Date	Venue
Tuesday, 22 October 2013	Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley, London N3 3QE
Wednesday, 15 January 2014	To be confirmed
Wednesday, 26 March 2014	To be confirmed