

KENTISH TOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Committee Meeting - 7pm – 9pm, Thursday 11 May 2017

at The Assembly House, 292-294 Kentish Town Road, NW5 2TG

In Attendance: Roger Winfield (chair), Henry Herzberg (deputy chair), Paul Seviour (treasurer), Ian Grant (secretary), Robert Livock, Derek Jarman, Fabrizio Lepore, Chris Hudson, Doug McLeod (Socrata)

1 Apologies: Virginia Beardshaw, Hilary Barnes, Celia Goreham (post-meeting).

Absent: Liz Sheridan, James Lowery, David Jockelson.

Discussed constitution provision that committee member could be asked to resign if failed to attend two consecutive meetings without apology.

2 Any conflicts of interest – none reported

3 Chair's report (RW)

Previous minutes – actions completed; chased Henry obtained AHMM for drawings; ACV links put on website; met with John Cryne with CAMRA; worked with Derek on ACVs and pubs in area; set up meeting and met with Camden's Katrina Christoforou on Regis Road; contacted Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum – forthcoming meeting set up; met with Caroline Hill (KTRA) and attended, and spoke at London Neighbourhood Planners Conference on Town Square policy; and attended Camden Commission – strengthening community cohesion.

Roger outlined his approach/ vision as chair: raise KTNF profile; extend reach in the community; pursue Plan's policies; involve as many committee members as possible in KTNF activities between meetings.

Action – look at setting up Google Calendar with access for officers and committee members for dates and times of meetings over the next quarter IG

4 Using Open Data Camden for the Neighbourhood Plan (Doug McLeod of Socrata); Camden Council gave contract to Socrata in 2015; how to make open data useful to the public; Doug described planning information available; 400 data sets available; committee asked about Section 106 agreements, and applications which have lapsed; and parking permits

Doug asked what data is useful to the committee; Doug thanked for agreeing to speak to committee.

Action: Links to be sent to committee for feedback to RW to send to Doug RW

4 Report on Station greening project (IG)

Management committee set up with reps from: Thameslink, KTNF and TKT; had four meetings; six wooden planters constructed; sixty bags of compost and plants transported down stairs; 40 attended Big Dig on 22 April including Ian, Chris and Roger from KTNF; Camden CIL provisionally agreed but yet to be released; two articles on project in Ham & High; set up a watering Doodle – working OK; both passengers and staff are watering plants; ongoing project – looking at events; schoolchildren involvement; linking to other greening projects. Ian thanked for his work on this project

Action: to invite Network Rail (and/or) Thameslink to July meetingIG

5 Report on Regis Road (HH)

Henry met with and obtained latest plans from AHMM (based on those they prepared for Lendlease); 1400 new homes, 400,000sq ft of employment space; plenty of green infrastructure and permeability and access. Camden working on Planning Framework; KTNF inputting; Henry, Paul and Roger had meeting with Camden and KTNF set to be members of steering committee; Regis Road is a designated Growth Area which brings increased resources and interest of London Mayor.

6 Report on Pubs policy in Neighbourhood Plan (RL)

Roger Winfield (RW), Robert Livock (RL) and Chris Hudson (CH) met John Cryne (JC), chair of CAMRA North London, re NP policy CC3 Protection of Public Houses: KTNF supports the retention of pubs named in the NP and recommends they are registered as ACVs; JC warned they take time and attract resistance; under s15 of the Neighbourhood Planning Act in force on 23 May, planning consent will be needed to change use of a pub, which might make ACVs unnecessary; KTNF records thanks to John Cryne.

Action: Robert to make enquiries about pub(s) identified as being at greatest immediate risk.

Action: recommended that KTNF adopts the protection of pubs as a priority issue.

7 Raising KTNF's profile in Kentish Town (RW and DJ)

At the last Kentish Town DMC chairs meeting it was agreed the minutes, and agenda and other documents from KTNF could be attached to the agenda as a hyperlink of the Kentish Town DMC agenda pack. Interest also expressed in furthering greening projects.

It was also agreed that the KTNF could be given email contact details for registered TRA's in the Kentish Town ward, so that contact can be made to make the Forum more inclusive by reaching more local residents.

Action: minutes and agenda to be sent to DJ. DJ to attach to DMC minutes

Action: email contacts re DMC to be sent to IG for inclusion in KTNF mailing list. Also follow up interest in greening projects IG

Presence at Festivals – taking a stall at KTCC Festival and Alma Street Fair discussed but no decision reached.

Poster on Platform 1 Kentish Town Station

What should the A0 size poster say? What is the message of the KTNF to the KT community and outside world?

Action: Ideas sent to Paul.

8 Miscellaneous updates (RW)

Roger and Fabrizio attended Morrisons' site Development Management Forum on behalf of KTNF to learn what might be relevant to Kentish Town developments, particularly Regis Road. Update on Morrisons (Fabrizio); Report given by Fabrizio; scheme form Architects Allies & Morrison and Piercy & Co, and Barratt Homes developing the residential; planning framework; plans for 170 homes (35% affordable) and offices (some affordable), open and green spaces, public toilets; attendees voiced objections about height and density; Camden supporting the scheme.

10 Communications – website, Facebook, Twitter (IG, PS, LS)

Twitter now linking to Facebook and website; Facebook linking to Twitter; website updated to latest version of Wordpress – security fixed; new pages, categories added; Spring newsletter sent to 371 members;

ACTION: list of committee members to be put on the websiteIG

Quarterly minutes to be put on the websiteIG

Front page amended IG

11 AOB

Action: Look into getting PO Box number for communication address PS

Planning application re double fronted retail unit; change of use to two single units next to Doppio; A1-A5 takeaway; falls foul of 60% of shopping area being in Retail Usage in Secondary frontages in NP; object to application and the fact that the officer on the case is not referring to specific NF policies in the plan; reference to Camden's rejection of HQ Squadron planning application (A1-A5) due to falling below required limit for secondary frontages.

Action: PS to contact Alex, object to application next to Doppio on above grounds, and note the officer should refer to specific policies in the plan.

Action: Request for KTNF to ask Camden re progress on Admiral Mann, and support to keep local pubs PS/IG to respond.

Action: Request to send objection for another storey at Burghley Court PS/IG to respond.

Action: Request and agreement for KTRA to prepare and send out a letter for KTNF to send to members re Christmas Lights in Kentish Town. Waiting to hear further from Caroline Hill of KTRA. RW/IG

12 Date of Next committee meeting: 20 July (changed from 27 July), 7pm, The Assembly House.