

Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council

Minutes of the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council held on Wednesday 27 January 2016 at 7.00 pm at Ground Floor Meeting Room G01A - 160 Tooley Street, London SE1 2QH

PRESENT: Councillor Bill Williams (Chair)
Councillor Sunny Lambe (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Evelyn Akoto
Councillor Anood Al-Samerai
Councillor Stephanie Cryan
Councillor Catherine Dale
Councillor Lucas Green
Councillor David Hubber
Councillor Ben Johnson
Councillor Hamish McCallum
Councillor Damian O'Brien
Councillor James Okosun
Councillor Leo Pollak
Councillor Richard Livingstone
Councillor Eliza Mann
Councillor Michael Situ
Councillor Kath Whittam

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor Ian Wingfield

OFFICER SUPPORT: Alistair Huggett, Planning Projects Manager
James Price, Project Manager
Michelle Normanly, Senior Project Manager
Marian Farrugia, Community Council Development Officer
Tim Murtagh, Constitutional Officer

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The chair welcomed residents, councillors and officers to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Lisa Rajan; and for lateness from Councillors Stephanie Cryan, Lucas Green, Hamish McCallum and Eliza Mann.

3. ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

There were none.

4. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

5. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 2 December 2015 be agreed as a correct record of that meeting.

6. DEPUTATIONS / PETITIONS (IF ANY)

There were none.

7. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Council Newsletter

Marian Farrugia, community council development officer, highlighted the regular newsletter that is circulated. The newsletter typically had information on local activities and how residents could get involved. Residents were encouraged to sign up for the e-bulletin via email to discover more about their area. Contact: marian.farrugia@southwark.gov.uk or Tel. 020 7525 1780.

Community Infrastructure Project List (CIPL)

Alistair Huggett, planning projects manager, explained that following the workshops at the previous community council meeting in December 2015, an updated project list had been circulated. Contact: alistair.huggett@southwark.gov.uk or Tel. 020 7525 5576.

Update on the Canada Water Masterplan and consultation

Eleanor Wright from British Land, explained that an exhibition of the masterplan would take place in Surrey Quays shopping centre on 5 – 25 February 2016. There would be a 3D model of the plans and all were welcome to attend and take part in the consultation. Contact: Eleanor.Wright@britishland.com or Tel. 020 7467 3335.

Old Bermondsey Village Neighbourhood Forum

Amy Carruthers, from the Old Bermondsey Village Neighbourhood Forum (OBVNF), explained that a neighbourhood plan was being developed. Consultation was taking place and residents were encouraged to complete and return consultation forms to indicate their

priorities. Contact: info@oldbermondseyforum.org

8. COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

Sergeant Chris Iliffe, from the local police team gave a summary of recent activities.

9. BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE THEME ITEM

Councillor Ian Wingfield, deputy leader and cabinet member for business, employment and culture, introduced the item and gave an overview of the work being done by the council to create new jobs, placements for the unemployment and apprenticeships for young people. He also summarised the support available for businesses through the high street challenge project and the business portal on the Southwark website.

The meeting broke up into 4 workshop discussions on the theme.

Workshop A – skills / training / volunteering
Workshop B – employment
Workshop C – businesses
Workshop D – future planning.

10. REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF SECTION 106 FUNDING FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF SWAN MEAD SPORTS COURT

Councillors considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted and approved.

11. CLEANER GREENER SAFER CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2016-17

Michelle Normanly, senior project manager, introduced the item.

Note: This is an executive function.

Councillors considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

1. That the following capital projects be funded:

LIVESEY WARD

- Silwood Street: Defensive plants to improve the existing boundary (£6,500)
- Silverlock Estate: Play area (£38,100)

ROTHERHITHE WARD

- Outdoor learning and nature in Southwark Park (£12,000)

- Green trees (£3,120)
- Fixing London Bubble's leaking roof (£10,300)
- Pedworth Green spot (£11,060)
- Locking loops for motorbikes on Hawkstone Estate (£4,000)
- Tech@theBede: Engaging and recording young people's activities to keep them safer in Bermondsey and Rotherhithe (£3,780)
- Transformation of once neglected and hazardous football cage space (£16,750)
- Ainsty Estate playground repaint, repair and enhance (£25,000)

SOUTH BERMONDSEY WARD

- Hanging baskets annual contract (£14,010)
- Manor Estate playground (£29,000)
- Bermondsey community kitchen Southwark outreach and training unit (£4,439)
- Paterson Park improvements (£3,550)
- Safer lighting on Longfield Estate (£7,800)
- Safer Longfield parking (£11,050)
- Family picnic area - Longfield Estate (£10,400)
- Restore the Bermondsey Lion (£3,835)
- Hanging baskets and planter – Avondale Estate (£5,440)

SURREY DOCKS WARD

- "Grow your own veg" on newly raised beds – Surrey Docks Farm (£5,400)
- Stave Hill sewage (£2,330)
- Pond signage in Russia Dock Woodland (£3,150)
- Lavender Pond bore hole contribution (£40,644)
- Compass secondary school and Bermondsey community kitchen vegetable gardening project (£2,000)
- Railings revamp Greenland Dock (£36,000)

2. That the funding decisions for Grange ward and Riverside ward be deferred to the next meeting in March 2016.

12. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The following public questions were raised at the meeting:

- Q1 Several residents mentioned trees in their area that had been felled for one reason or another, and not yet replaced. Ward councillors offered to follow up on individual cases.
- Q2 In response to a comment that there should be more opportunity for local decision making within community council meetings, the chair said he would take that to the next meeting of community council chairs and vice-chairs.
- Q3 In response to a question about trees being damaged by dogs doing unusual strength training activities, Councillor Kath Whittam explained that she was working with the RSPCA on a pets policy to deter such behaviour. There would be guidelines on what is appropriate and possible sanctions for dog owners if found to be causing a nuisance through their actions.
- Q4 In response to a question about the council's powers regarding air pollution,

Councillor David Hubber, responded that with planning permission for a development, there were often conditions about planting trees and other methods imposed to reduce pollution.

13. LOCAL TRAFFIC AND PARKING AMENDMENTS

13.1 LOCAL PARKING AMENDMENTS

Note: This is an executive function.

Councillors considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

1. That the following non-strategic traffic and parking amendments, detailed in the appendices to the report, be approved for implementation, subject to the outcome of any necessary statutory procedures:
 - Rotherhithe Street – install double yellow lines to provide unrestricted access to entrance of No.135.
 - Smith Close – install double yellow lines to maintain access and to improve sight lines at the junction with Salter Road.
 - Pages Walk – remove existing shared use parking bay and install double yellow lines to provide access for emergency and delivery vehicles.
 - Rotherhithe Street – install double yellow lines to provide access to the off street car park at Columbus Court.
2. That the objections received against the Hatcham Road proposal, agreed at the community council in October 2015, to install double yellow lines, be rejected and that the traffic order be implemented.

13.2 THE INTRODUCTION OF PARKING MEASURES IN SOUTHWARK'S LEISURE CENTRE CAR PARKS

Note: This is an executive function.

Councillors considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

That the following local traffic and parking amendments, detailed in the appendices to the report, be approved for implementation, subject to the outcome of any necessary statutory procedures:

- Introduction of a four hour maximum stay parking restriction at both Seven Islands Watersports Centre and Surrey Docks Leisure Centre, along with measures to permit enforcement regarding obstructive parking or abuse of

disabled bays.

14. COMMUNITY COUNCIL QUESTION TO COUNCIL ASSEMBLY

The community council considered whether to submit a question to the next council assembly meeting.

RESOLVED:

“Can the cabinet member for public health, parks and leisure advise, what is the net loss of trees within the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Council area over the last 5 years. How many of those trees will be replaced and with what type or types of tree.”

15. CURLEW STREET - INTRODUCTION OF A LOADING BAY WITH TIME AND DAY RESTRICTIONS

Note: This is an executive function.

RESOLVED:

That the Curlew Street parking report be deferred due to an error in the report that requires amendment prior to consideration of the item.

Meeting ended at 9.45pm

CHAIR:

DATED: