

Camberwell Community Council

Minutes of the Camberwell Community Council held on Saturday 30 January 2016 at 1.00 pm at Kings College London, 10 Cutcombe Road, SE5 9RJ

PRESENT: Councillor Kieron Williams (Chair)
Councillor Octavia Lamb (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Radha Burgess
Councillor Tom Flynn
Councillor Sarah King
Councillor Mark Williams
Councillor Ian Wingfield

OFFICER Pip Howson, Team Leader Transport Policy
SUPPORT: Fitzroy Lewis, Community Councils 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 Councillors Dora Dixon-Fyle and Peter John.

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 18 November 2015 be agreed as a correct record of that meeting.

6. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS (IF ANY)

Petition request from local residents about improving cycle safety on the junction of Denmark Hill and Orpheus Street.

RESOLVED:

That the petition be received.

The spokesperson for the petition explained that the petition, signed by 276 residents, asked for the council to improve the safety at the junction of Denmark Hill and Orpheus Street in Camberwell, either by the addition of a bicycle box at the nearby traffic lights, or with a road warning sign.

The spokesperson had been knocked off their bicycle by a lorry in 2014 and another cyclist had been killed in May 2015, both at the same junction.

Councillor Mark Williams thanked the petitioner for raising awareness of the issue and said that the community council wanted to make the area safer for cyclists and pedestrians. There had been a lengthy consultation process on the planned new junction at Camberwell Green. It had reached a logjam with Transport for London (TfL). The council was working to find a resolution soon and there would be a fuller update on the junction at the next meeting of the community council in March 2016. Various safety measures were being looked at to improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians in the area.

7. NEW SOUTHWARK PLAN

Councillor Mark Williams, cabinet member for regeneration and new homes, gave a powerpoint presentation on the New Southwark Plan (NSP).

What is the New Southwark Plan?

- A new local plan for Southwark setting out policies for determining planning applications and identifying sites for development. It would guide further regeneration and wider improvements until 2033.
- It would replace the Core Strategy 2011 and Southwark Plan 2007.
- It would include visions for how residents want different places to change.
- An updated vision for Camberwell.
- To be adopted in 2017 after three stages of consultation.
- The preferred option (current stage) is the second stage of consultation.

Planning policies cover a range of topics including:

- Delivery of high quality affordable housing
- The creation of well designed neighbourhoods

- Protection of heritage assets
- Provision of new schools
- Supporting a strong, local economy by creating new jobs and opportunities
- Encouraging walking, cycling and good health
- Creating a cleaner, greener, safer environment.

Contact: planningpolicy@southwark.gov.uk or Tel 020 7525 4530.

8. WALKING AND CYCLING IN CAMBERWELL

Pip Howson, from transport policy, explained that officers had hoped to give a full update on the Camberwell junction to the meeting but that was not yet possible. During the workshops (item 10) residents would have the opportunity to discuss all modes of transport along with pocket spaces, planting and street furniture.

9. SECURE CYCLE PARKING (BIKE HANGARS)

Councillors considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted and the recommendation approved.

10. DISCUSSION ON THE THEME

The meeting broke out into workshops on walking and cycling in Camberwell where residents discussed with councillors and officers what they would like to see in the area.

11. COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

Inspector Duncan Jackson and Constable Mark McKay, from the local police team gave a summary of recent activities. Residents were encouraged to look at a pilot website – www.camberwellgreen.news

12. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Action Southwark

Ian Redding, explained that Community Action Southwark (CAS) was developing networks in the community council areas. These are expected to connect and empower local residents; act as a catalyst and facilitator for community activities and enable residents to access existing services, and shape them to better meet their needs. Contact: info@casouthwark.org.uk or Tel. 020 7358 7020.

New play area for Brunswick Park

Councillor Radha Burgess explained that the council was upgrading the play area in Brunswick Park. Residents, especially children, were invited to take part in the local consultation on what type of play area they would like built. Contact:

alexander.rozema@southwark.gov.uk or Tel. 020 7525 0963

Friends of Camberwell Green AGM

Barbara Pattinson from the SE5 Forum announced that the Friends of Camberwell Green were holding their annual general meeting (AGM) on 4 February 2016 at St. Giles Centre, 81 Camberwell Church Street, SE5 8RB.

13. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The following public questions were raised at the meeting:

- Q1 A resident requested an update on an issue, raised at an earlier meeting (September 2015), about cycle parking stands on the corner of Coldharbour Lane and Valmar Road, which had been removed but not replaced, following a car accident.
- Q2 In response to some enquiries about the future of the old library, Councillor Tom Flynn explained that the council used to rent the space from the owners and there had been a lot of interest in the vacant spaces from local businesses. The situation on future use and occupation were not yet known.

14. LOCAL TRAFFIC AND PARKING AMENDMENTS

14.1 LOCAL TRAFFIC AND PARKING AMENDMENTS

Note: This is an executive function for decision by the community council.

Councillors considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

That the following local traffic and parking amendment, detailed in the report, be deferred for consultation to take place with residents.

- Grove Lane – remove existing double yellow lines and extend existing permit holders (L) parking bay to improve parking availability for residents.

14.2 LOCAL TRAFFIC AND PARKING AMENDMENTS: INTRODUCTION OF PARKING MEASURES IN SOUTHWARK'S LEISURE CENTRE CAR PARKS

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Councillors considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

That the following local traffic and parking amendment, detailed in 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 Camberwell Leisure Centre along with measures to permit enforcement regarding obstructive parking or abuse.

15. COMMUNITY COUNCIL QUESTION TO COUNCIL ASSEMBLY

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

RESOLVED:

That the following question be submitted to council assembly as the official community council question:

“Would the leader of the council give an update on the position in Camberwell on improving safety for cyclists and pedestrians and how the council has been putting pressure on Transport for London (TfL) to see how that is achieved.”

Meeting ended at 3.20pm

CHAIR:

DATED: