Dulwich Community Council

MINUTES of the Dulwich Community Council held on Wednesday 9 October 2013 at 7.00 pm at St Barnabas Church (The Community Suite) 40 Calton Avenue, London SE21 7DG

PRESENT:
- Councillor Helen Hayes (Chair)
- Councillor Rosie Shimell (vice Chair)
- Councillor James Barber
- Councillor Toby Eckersley
- Councillor Jonathan Mitchell
- Councillor Michael Mitchell
- Councillor Lewis Robinson
- Councillor Andy Simmons

OTHER MEMBERS
PRESENT:
- Councillor Richard Livingstone (Cabinet member for resources and community safety)

OFFICER SUPPORT:
- Matt Hill (Public Realm Programme Manager)
- John Kissi (Flood Risk Manager)
- Andrea Allen (Project Manager)
- Fitzroy Lewis (Community Council Development Officer)
- Beverley Olamijulo (Constitutional Officer)

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The chair welcomed councillors, members of the public and officers to the meeting and Dulwich youth community council who were also in attendance.

2. APOLOGIES

There was an apology for absence from Councillor Robin Crookshank Hilton.

3. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS’ INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

The following members made declarations regarding agenda item below:

Agenda item 15 – Local parking amendments
Councillor James Barber, non pecuniary, for local parking amendment on Underhill Road as he knows the resident who requested the scheme.

Councillor Toby Eckersley, non pecuniary, for local parking amendment on Elmwood Road as he was involved in the consultation.

Councillor Helen Hayes, non pecuniary, for local parking amendment on Rock Hill as it is within close proximity of her house.

Councillor Lewis Robinson, non pecuniary, for local parking amendment on Dulwich Park as he was involved in the consultation concerning the disabled parking bays at the park.

4. ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

The chair gave notice and agreed to consider the following late and urgent items in the supplemental agendas:

- Item 14 – East Dulwich Grove: 20 mph road safety and traffic calming proposals – Appendix 1
- Item 17 – Cleaner Greener Safer (CGS) Revenue Fund reallocation.

5. MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 25 June 2013 be agreed as an accurate record of the meeting subject to a minor amendment:

Item 16 – Proposed new community infrastructure project list (CIPL) and CIL expenditure, delete “college ward” detailed in the last bullet point.

6. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS (IF ANY)

There were none.

7. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Launch of Cleaner Greener Safer capital and revenue programmes

Andrea Allen from the Cleaner Greener Safer team introduced the item and explained that both programmes had been running since 2003 for improvements to community gardens or crossing patrols making the area safer and greener. Andrea urged people to complete the CGS application form that were available at the meeting. The officer explained that all submitted bids would be presented to councillors who would decide on the funding and council officers would project manage the schemes. The total funding allocation for this round in 2014 – 2015 was £2 million and £330,000 was allocated to Dulwich Community
Council. The closing date for completed applications was 8 November 2013.

In response to questions, Andrea explained the reason for the shorter timescales relating to this year’s round of funding was due to the decision on schemes had to be made at the January / February cycle of community council meetings.

**The NHS is changing, NHS Southwark Clinical Commissioning Group**

Daniel Blagdon from the NHS Southwark Commissioning Group talked about some of the services that are provided to the borough for example, walk-in centres, community support services and the community outpatient clinic.

Daniel mentioned the patient participation group were promoting an event at Cambridge House on 22 October 2013 at 5.30 pm. The event was about a local debate on how the NHS would deliver services, what support was there for those who wished to stay healthy and what information people needed to manage illnesses such as diabetes and other types of illnesses.

For information contact 020 7525 7888 or visit the website address: [http://www.southwarkccg.nhs.uk](http://www.southwarkccg.nhs.uk)

**Community council fund 2014 – 2015 – launch**

Fitzroy Lewis, Community Council Development Officer for Dulwich announced that Southwark’s community councils have a total of £122,000 to support community activities run by local groups for people in the borough. Applications would be open in November 2013. People were told to check the website or local libraries.

For more information email [fitzroy.lewis@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:fitzroy.lewis@southwark.gov.uk) or check the Southwark website [http://www.southwark.gov.uk ‘community council fund’](http://www.southwark.gov.uk ‘community council fund’)

**Southwark Civic Awards**

Les Alden announced that nominations for volunteers for the Southwark Civic Awards were now open. He outlined the awards were about people’s contributions to the borough, their civic pride and recognition in the community. The awards would be presented by the current Mayor and past mayors at Southwark Cathedral. He urged people to think of a person they felt deserved an award and complete the nomination forms that were available at the meeting.

The categories were as follows:
- Letters of commendation
- Special Award for Civic Responsibility
- Honorary Liberties of the Old Metropolitan Boroughs
- Liberty of the Old Metropolitan Borough of Bermondsey
- Liberty of the Old Metropolitan Borough of Southwark
- Lifetime Achievement Award
- Mayor’s Award

For more information check the council website and public libraries
http://www.southwarkcivicassociation.org

A patch of Autumn – Pavilion Cafe

Southwark events manager announced the patch of autumn would take place on 28 October until 30 October 2013 at the Pavilion Cafe, Dulwich Park, College Road, SE21.

For more information contact 020 7525 3422 or email events@southwark.gov.uk http://www.southwark.gov.uk/patchofautumn

8. HERNE HILL FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME

John Kissi, flood risk manager, presented the Herne Hill flood alleviation scheme and spoke about the historic flooding that occurred in area notably in 1984, 2004 and 2007. The recent Thames Water main burst in August 2013 that flooded more than 30 properties along Half Moon Lane demonstrated the level of flood risk in the area.

Initial assessment and more detailed investigations confirmed that Herne Hill and the Dulwich area were relatively higher risk of flooding compared to other parts of the borough and would benefit greatly from flood alleviation measures.

The officer outlined that the council were developing a proposal to help prevent sewer and surface water flooding to properties in Herne Hill and the Dulwich area. The council undertook a detailed investigation and looked at the cause and to find ways of alleviating the flooding which had occurred over the years. The council contacted local stakeholders, members and residents about the council’s proposals.

The council’s proposal:  
The council’s scheme would be to capture and store surface water before it goes through the sewer system and reduce the risk of flooding during and straight after a storm while system was at full capacity. The stored water would be released into the sewer system soon after once there was capacity to carry it without the risk of flooding.

The officer explained that the council’s proposal was to carry out flood prevention works on Turney Road, Southwark Community Sports Trust grounds, Belair Park and Dulwich Park, to help prevent further sewer and surface water flooding.

There would be a number of design workshops and events that took place on the following dates:

Design workshops:
• 17 October 2013 – Francis Peek Centre, College Road SE21 7BQ
• 4 November 2013 – Belair Recreation Rooms, SE21 7AB, 6pm – 8pm
• 19 November 2013 – Southwark Community Sports Pavilion, Turney Road SE21 7JJ, 6pm – 9pm

Public Exhibition:
• 6 - 7 December 2013 – Francis Peek Centre and Belair Recreation Rooms
• 16 December 2013 – Final design to be presented to the council’s planning committee
Construction:
• March 2014 and complete works in December 2014

John urged people to attend those events and have their say and shape the final design. For more information on these events please email the floodriskmanagement@southwark.gov.uk or call 0207 525 5000.

The chair thanked John Kissi for his presentation.

Presentation from Thames Water

The chair introduced the representatives from Thames Water who attended the meeting. Elizabeth Sale and colleagues, Colin Bryant, Regional Performance Manager, and Ash Sharma, Network Optimisation Manager spoke at the meeting and highlighted the issues surrounding the incident that affected several properties on Lordship Lane when they were left with no water during the hottest time of the month (July 2013) whilst Thames Water were carrying out repair works. The representatives agreed communication with local residents should have been better and they had learnt from their mistakes. As a result they had improved internal processes and had improved steps on how they should communicate with residents.

The meeting was provided with an update on progress regarding Half Moon Lane noting that all roads were now open and were working closely with the council especially as the biggest impact were on residents and local businesses.

In response to questions, Thames Water representatives agreed that the council’s social services department should have been informed much sooner about the situation so it would not affect vulnerable and older residents. In addition reference was also made about the location of the leaks. Thames Water confirmed that watering points were to be installed in the future so signals could be sent to the control centre in Reading. This would include the replacement of all pipes that had reported leaks in them. Thames Water outlined that a capital investment plan had been drawn up for this so they would tackle the area that were mostly affected by the floods.

The chair thanked Thames Water for attending the meeting.

9. POLICE UPDATES / COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATES

Inspector Richard Hynes, from the South West cluster provided updates on policing issues and community safety matters.

10. BUDGET CONSULTATION

The budget consultation, in relation to the council’s spending challenge for the next two years, was introduced by the cabinet member for resources and community safety, Councillor Richard Livingstone.

Councillor Livingstone spoke about the savings that were made in 2010 and the services which needed to be looked at in the next round of cuts in 2014. He mentioned that
Southwark had a high level of need compared to most local authorities in other parts of the country. As part of the budget consultation process, he asked residents to give their views on the services they felt needed protecting.

Information on the eight services provided by the council was circulated at the meeting which included the current level of spending within council departments. The consultation exercise was explained to attendees.

After the consultation exercise, Councillor Livingstone explained that the council was looking to make a further £23m savings in 2014/2015 and 7% savings target would be aimed for next year. It was noted that the revenue budget would be set at council assembly on 26 February 2014.

Further updates would be given at a future meeting.

11. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were none.

12. COMMUNITY COUNCIL QUESTION TO COUNCIL ASSEMBLY

The following community council question to council assembly was raised at the meeting:

“Question on what progress had been made with regards to the council's contribution on the match funding for local businesses in Herne Hill that had been affected by the main water burst which resulted in floods in the area.”

A response to the question would be provided at the community council meeting.

13. CLEANER GREENER SAFER CAPITAL FUNDING PROGRAMME: ALLOCATION

Members considered the information in the report.

Note: This item is an executive function.

RESOLVED:

1. That an under spend of £23,024 from the 2013 -14 from the Cleaner Greener Safer funding be reallocated to the following schemes:

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<td>Cycling contra flow in Henslowe Road</td>
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<td>Upton Court bike lockers</td>
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<td>Kingswood outdoor gym</td>
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2. That the remaining amount of £4,474 be considered for allocation at a future community council meeting.

14. EAST DULWICH GROVE: 20MPH ROAD SAFETY AND TRAFFIC CALMING PROPOSALS

Members considered the information in the report.

Note: This item is an executive function.

RESOLVED:

That Dulwich Community Council endorse the recommendation to the cabinet member for environment, transport and recycling, to approve the implementation of the proposed 20 mph road safety and traffic calming scheme on East Dulwich Grove, subject to statutory consultation and the council’s ongoing objective to create a safer road network for all.

15. LOCAL PARKING AMENDMENTS

The following members excused themselves from the meeting during the consideration of the local amendments detailed below:

• Councillor Hayes for local parking amendment on Rockhill, Councillor Rosie Shimell took over as chair.

• Councillor Lewis Robinson during the consideration of proposals on Dulwich Park.

• Councillor James Barber for the local parking amendment on Underhill Road.

• Councillor Toby Eckersley for the local parking amendment on Elmwood Road.

Note: This item is an executive function.

RESOLVED:

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

   • Boxall Road – one disabled persons’ (blue badge) parking bay.

   • Melbourne Grove – install one disabled persons’ (blue badge) parking bay.

   • Heber Road – install one disabled persons’ (blue badge) parking bay.

   • Half Moon Lane – removal of one permit bay and install a double yellow line to provide access to a planned new dropped kerb and vehicle crossover leading to No.49.
• Rock Hill – install double yellow lines at the junction with Sydenham Hill.

• Underhill Road – install double yellow lines at the junction with Henslowe Road.

• Townley Road – extension to existing bus bays outside and opposite Alleyn’s School.

2. That the local parking amendment on Lordship Lane for the removal of the 15 metres goods vehicle loading only bay be refused on the grounds Sainbury’s Ltd sold off the delivery yard at the rear in order to secure planning approval for the flats above.

3. That Dulwich Community Council defer the proposal on Dulwich Park car park following consideration of the objections received against non-strategic traffic management matters in relation to the park.

4. That Dulwich Community Council agree not to proceed with the installation of waiting time restrictions (double yellow lines) in the turning head of Elmwood Road.

5. That the objections to this scheme be rejected and approval be given to the installation of anytime waiting restrictions (double yellow lines) on the two bends adjoining to Lordship Lane in Mount Adon Park and also both sides of the bend closest to Dunstans Road. In addition that officers undertake a more comprehensive study particular with regard to the emergency access on site and that ward members attend a site visit.

6. In response to two deputations made at Dulwich Community Council on 25 June 2013, the community council approve that:

• Norwood Road – the consultation boundary and method are approved.

• North Dulwich triangle – members note the response outlined in the report.

Following discussion on the local parking amendment for Underhill Road, Councillor Eckersley requested that a report on the policy for crossovers at junctions particularly as it resulted in lost parking opportunity. He said he wanted to know if the council had any discretion in relation to crossovers that appeared near a person’s front garden or in an controlled parking zone.

Matt Hill, Public Realm Manager explained that the council had no clear policy on crossovers which required planning permission. Matt said he would feed this request back to officers in his team.

16. COMMUNITY COUNCIL HIGHWAYS CAPITAL INVESTMENT 2013/14
Members considered the information in the report.

Note: This item is an executive function.

RESOLVED:

That allocation of community council highways capital investment funding for the following applications be approved:

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<td>1. The following three stretches of Dulwich Village footway east side, out of the four set out in the appendix to the report:</td>
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<td>• Dulwich Village (111 to 101)</td>
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<td>• Dulwich Village (from no.59 to the Crown and greyhound pub)</td>
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<td>• Dulwich Village (from Question Air shop to no.91vehicle crossover)</td>
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<td>2. Withdrawal of previous allocation of £36,189 agreed at the June community council meeting for Carver Road which leaves a total allocation of: £112,132 and £36,189.</td>
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<td>Total allocated: £138,396 leaving £9,925 unallocated</td>
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Note: Officers agreed to prepare a more accurate estimate and would discuss with ward members when this has been completed. In addition discuss whether they wished to de-scope any elements before proceeding with these schemes.

17. CLEANER GREENER SAFER REVENUE FUND - REALLOCATION

Members considered the information in the report.

Note: This item is an executive function
RESOLVED:

That an under spend of £1,350 from the cleaner greener safer revenue funding be reallocated to the following application:

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Repairs /replacement of damaged wooden posts on Friern Road at the junction of Lordship Lane and removal of street furniture on Barry Road

Meeting ended at 9.45 pm

CHAIR:

DATED: