



## **CAMBERWELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

MINUTES of the Camberwell Community Council held on Saturday 15 November 2014 at 1.00 pm at Employment Academy, 29 Peckham Road, London SE5 8UA

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**PRESENT:** Councillor Kieron Williams (Chair)  
Councillor Chris Gonde (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Radha Burgess  
Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle MBE  
Councillor Tom Flynn  
Councillor Sarah King  
Councillor Mark Williams  
Councillor Ian Wingfield

**OFFICER SUPPORT:** Simon Phillips, Transport Policy Manager  
Alison Squires, Planning Team Leader  
Jessica Caruth, Senior Project Manager  
Jack Ricketts, Planning Team  
Tim Walker, Senior Project Engineer  
Fitzroy Lewis, 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 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 10 September 2014 be agreed as a correct record of that meeting.

#### **6. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS (IF ANY)**

Deputation request from the CAMBERWELL SOCIETY

##### **RESOLVED:**

That the deputation be received.

The deputation explained that a local group had been formed to promote the idea of the extension of the Bakerloo underground line coming to Camberwell. Population density in the area was about 130 people per hectare, compared with 99 per hectare in Southwark and 52 per hectare in Greater London. Denmark Hill station services and local buses were frequently overcrowded. Patients, clinicians and visitors to Kings College Hospital along with students and staff at Camberwell Arts College would also benefit from the Bakerloo line stopping at Camberwell. The petition in support of the extension to Camberwell had so far gathered 3,000 signatures. The deputation asked that the council promote the extension.

Councillor Mark Williams, cabinet member for regeneration, planning and transport explained that the council's position was to support a route to Camberwell and Peckham and also a route to the Old Kent Road. The council also wanted Camberwell station to be reopened.

The chair thanked the members of the deputation for attending.

#### **7. TRANSPORT IN CAMBERWELL**

Simon Phillips, Transport Policy Manager, gave an overview of transport in Camberwell.

- As well as trips made by residents, the area is home to Kings College Hospital, Camberwell Magistrates Court and the South London and Maudsley Hospital (SLaM) which together have approximately 10,000 staff.
- Over half of households in Camberwell do not have access to a car.
- The town centre sits on a strategic crossroads providing both key north/south

and east/west links, with Camberwell Church Street and Camberwell New Road (A202) bisecting the town centre. Vehicle dominance – 20,000 vehicles per day. Pollution – noise and air.

- Three quarters of all collisions in the town centre involve vulnerable road users – pedestrians, cyclists and bus users. Hotspots at the main junction, Camberwell Grove, Coldharbour Lane, Medlar Street.
- Camberwell has one rail station, but no underground connections. Could there also be another rail station?
- Camberwell is a major interchange for routes going north-south and east-west. 15 bus routes. It is also the location for two bus garages. Overcrowding at many of the stops and this in turn can impact pedestrians trying to walk through the area.
- Between 1,200 and 1,600 pedestrians an hour are using the footways on either side of Denmark Hill. Nearly 75% of people cross the road away from designated crossing points, which can be seen by the number of pedestrian collisions recorded close to crossing points.
- Camberwell is located within relatively easy cycle distance from central London, there is great potential for encouraging cycling. LCN / Quietways / CS5. 500+ movements through town centre at peak times.

On the proposed Town Centre scheme:

- Preferred options formal consultation January to March 2013 – 400 responses. 60% supported overall proposals.
- Modelling showed significant queuing in the town centre as a result of the proposals – unacceptable to TfL. This has led to delays in the process. Scheme revised as a result with changes to East West corridor.
- Removal of straight ahead crossings – changes to traffic lanes – reduction in footway widening outside the Green.
- Rest of scheme still on track. Enhanced crossings throughout. Wider footways. Rationalised bus stops. Median strips. Reduced collision risks. Space for greening.
- Latest modelling shows positive results, but still needs to be signed off by TfL. As soon as this happens we can proceed to detailed design and appoint contractor for the works. Currently expect to be on site Spring 2016 on completion of the works to Camberwell Green.

Steve Kearns and Dan Johnson, from Transport for London (TfL), summarised some of the main transport issues in the area.

- There has been a 50% increase in Tube demand on Saturday nights – since

2003 (from 21:00hrs to last trains)

- From 2015, begin to run trains through the night at weekends on core parts of the network
- Supporting London's vibrant night-time economy
- TfL is considering options for extending the Bakerloo line beyond Elephant & Castle
- Proposal includes tunnel to Lewisham via Camberwell/Peckham or Old Kent Road to Lewisham and on to Beckenham Junction and Hayes via the existing rail
- Key aim - to support population and employment growth
- Could serve through up to three opportunity areas; Old Kent Road, Lewisham, Catford & New Cross; Bromley Town Centre
- Putting southeast London on the tube map, improving public transport accessibility and journey times
- Potential to unlock National Rail capacity and provide congestion relief across the wider SE London rail network
- 30 September – 7 December 2014: Public consultation [www.tfl.gov.uk/bakerloo-extension](http://www.tfl.gov.uk/bakerloo-extension)
- Construction could start as early as 2023 (subject to the necessary powers)
- 2015: consultation analysis and options presented to Mayor of London – information publicly available
- No funding currently identified - funding strategy will need to be developed
- Further consultation required if / as the project progresses
- Extended Bakerloo line could open as early as 2030

#### East-West Cycle Super Highway

- Tower Hill - Acton
- Consultation took place September to November 2014
- <https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/cycling/eastwest>

#### North-South Cycle Super Highway

- Elephant & Castle – King's Cross

- Consultation took place September to November 2014.
- <https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/cycling/northsouth>.

In response to a question from the youth community council about the inaccuracy of the electronic countdown service and overcrowding on the 484 bus route, Steve explained that buses were sometimes delayed due to congestion and that he would mention the 484 service to planners and look into the potential for increased capacity on that bus route.

Councillor Mark Williams, cabinet member for regeneration, planning and transport explained that with regard to the scheme for Camberwell town centre there had been several meetings with officers and TfL. There were various policies that had to be worked through and negotiated but the council should get 90-95% of what it wanted from the scheme. The scheme would include significant build outs that would improve safety.

Councillor Wingfield added that more devolution of funding to London was needed to invest in a 21<sup>st</sup> century transport system.

## 8. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Local Flood Risk Management Strategy**

The consultation on the Local Flood Risk Strategy is now available to the public and will end on Friday 6 February 2015. Consultation documents can be found at the council's webpage, local libraries, newsletters of tenants and residents associations and friends of parks. Residents are encouraged to review the documents and provide feedback.

### **Business Improvement District SE5 Forum**

Barbara Pattinson, chair of the SE5 Forum, summarised some of the work being done to promote a local Business Improvement District (BID) by the SE5 Forum. A BID would bring together funding from businesses in the area to invest and improve its long-term business prospects.

## 9. BUDGET CONSULTATION EXERCISE

Councillor Ian Wingfield, deputy leader and cabinet member for communities, employment and business, introduced the consultation.

The council's budget was facing future cuts. Residents were invited during the break to take part in this year's budget consultation exercise. This involved a red and green cheques interactive session that enabled residents to show which areas of council spending they thought should be reduced and which areas should be protected in the future.

## 10. REVITALISING CAMBERWELL

New Southwark Plan (NSP)

Alison Squires, planning team leader, presented and summarised the NSP:

- A new local plan for Southwark

- Regeneration strategy for the whole borough
- Will be used to make decisions on planning applications
- Will replace the Core Strategy and Southwark Plan
- Working with local groups, developers, businesses, the community, Lambeth Council and many other groups

The NSP covers –

- New area vision for Camberwell
- Homes
- Travel
- Business, employment and enterprise
- Town centres
- Social infrastructure
- Design, heritage and environment
- Sustainability
- Identifying sites for development

Camberwell Supplementary Planning Document, key topics raised -

- SPD should cover the whole of the Camberwell Community Council area
- Many comments on buildings and how they contribute to local character
- Making better use of public spaces
- Improving cycling and walking links
- Reduce congestion, widen footpaths
- Encourage a wider range of shops
- More parking
- Restrict hot food takeaways
- More arts, culture and community uses
- Better links between open spaces
- Improvements to existing housing
- More affordable housing
- More community space

How are the comments being taken forward –

- New Southwark Plan
- Cycling Strategy
- Heritage supplementary planning document
- Wider regeneration of Camberwell

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New Camberwell Library

Jessica Caruth, senior project manager, presented.

- Work on the library started in March
- Construction on the building is progressing and is water tight
- External works will start early in 2015
- The library is due to open in the spring

Key features to include:

- A children's area with wet play area and computers and books for all ages

- Young people's area
- More quiet spaces to study
- Free Wi-Fi
- Public computers and printing facilities

The new Plaza features:

- Improved lighting scheme
- Improved footpaths
- Places to sit
- Ecology friendly planting
- A beehive on the roof
- 40 bicycle parking spaces
- Space for a mobile kiosk

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Camberwell Green:

- Works planned to start from summer 2015
- The Green will be closed for the duration of the works
- Works complete and park reopen spring 2016
- Increased amount of Green space
- A net increase of trees in the Green +26
- Improved ecology with wildlife friendly planting, including a wild flower meadow and shrubs
- Sidney Bates memorial and Cool Tan Arts bench and war memorial retained
- Market square to be created
- Improved look at the recycling station
- A range of seating throughout
- Improved lighting scheme
- Public toilet retained

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Streets scheme:

- Feasibility and modelling completed
- Impact on traffic capacity questioned
- Trial of measures not possible
- Further changes to design sought
- Requirement for further data collection / modelling work
- Discussions with TfL ongoing

Pocket Spaces:

- Artichoke Place
- Grove Lane
- Datchelor Place
- Wren Road
- Coldharbour Road
- Selborne Road

First two are linked to the streets scheme. Other four under development. Datchelor Place to be delivered in the spring of 2015 pending approval of report this evening. TfL funding

all pocket spaces. Contact: [simon.phillips@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:simon.phillips@southwark.gov.uk)

## **10.1 PROJECTS FOR SECTION 106 AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL)**

Jack Ricketts, Southwark's planning team, presented the report.

**Note:** This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

### **RESOLVED:**

That the following CIL list of projects be approved to replace the previous community project bank list:

- New train station in Camberwell
- New underground station
- Camberwell pocket spaces - paving, trees, lighting, to Artichoke Place and Coldharbour Place
- Camberwell pocket spaces - paving, trees and lighting to Datchelor Place, Grove Lane and Selbourne Place
- Camberwell pocket spaces - paving, trees and lighting to Orpheus Street and Wren Road
- Open space improvements to Goose Green
- Camberwell Green improvements
- Open Dog Kennel Hill adventure playground facility.

Officers to look into pocket spaces being funded by Transport for London instead of under the CIL project list.

## **11. WORKSHOPS ON PLANNING / CYCLING / GREEN ENVIRONMENT**

Three workshops took place:

1. Consultation on the New Southwark Plan
2. Improving parks and public spaces in Camberwell
3. Improving cycling in Camberwell.

## **12. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

In response to a public question on cleaner air, Councillor Mark Williams explained that



the Mayor of London was looking at an ultra-low emission zone. Taxis and other vehicles would need to upgrade and reduce their emissions. The council's position, along with Lambeth and Hackney councils, was for the ultra-low emission zone to include inner London.

### **13. LOCAL TRAFFIC AND PARKING AMENDMENTS**

#### **13.1 LOCAL PARKING AMENDMENTS OBJECTION DETERMINATION**

**Note:** This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

**RESOLVED:**

That the seven objections, made in relation to proposed waiting restrictions in Bonsor Street, Coleman Road, Dowlas Street and Rainbow Street be rejected and that the proposals approved at the 23 July 2014 community council be implemented.

#### **13.2 CAMBERWELL STATION ROAD / WARNER ROAD**

**Note:** This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

**RESOLVED:**

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

- Camberwell Station Road – introduction of 'No waiting at anytime' (double yellow lines)
- Warner Road – upgrade single yellow lines to double yellow lines (no waiting at anytime).

#### **13.3 CHAMPION HILL ESTATE PARKING**

**Note:** This is an executive function.

Members 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:

- Seavington House, Champion Hill Estate – to be included in an estate parking scheme
- Appleshaw House, Champion Hill Estate – to be included in an estate parking scheme
- Birdsall House, Champion Hill Estate – to be included in an estate parking scheme
- Holderness House, Champion Hill Estate – to be included in an estate parking scheme
- Leconfield House, Champion Hill Estate – to be included in an estate parking scheme.

#### **13.4 ELMINGTON ESTATE PARKING SCHEME**

**Note:** This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

**RESOLVED:**

That the report be deferred to a future meeting so that some minor errors can be corrected and to enable councillors to discuss the proposals with residents.

#### **13.5 ONE HOUR FREE PARKING FOR SHOPPING PARADES**

**Note:** This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

**RESOLVED:**

That the following locations, detailed in the appendices to the report, be approved for consultation on the introduction of one hour free parking:

- Grove Lane
- John Ruskin Street
- Wyndham Road
- Southampton Way
- Avondale Rise

- Crossthwaite Avenue.

#### **14. CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE CONSULTATION - COLEMAN ROAD**

Members considered the information contained in the report.

##### **RESOLVED:**

That the community council approve the consultation boundary and methods for the planned parking zone consultation.

#### **15. HIGHWAYS CAPITAL INVESTMENT**

**Note:** This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

##### **RESOLVED:**

That the following schemes be approved for capital investment:

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| • Southampton Way footway     | £12,870. |
| • Southampton Way carriageway | £26,798  |
| • Sedgemoor Place carriageway | £27,852  |
| • Crawford Road footway       | £14,872  |
| • Pytchley Road carriageway   | £24,783. |

#### **16. DATCHELOR PLACE POCKET SPACE SCHEME**

Members considered the information contained in the report.

##### **RESOLVED:**

That the recommendations contained in the report regarding the Datchelor Place pocket space scheme be agreed and that the scheme proceed to implementation subject to any necessary statutory procedures.

#### **17. COMMUNITY COUNCIL QUESTION TO COUNCIL ASSEMBLY**

There was none put forward at this meeting.

The meeting ended at 4.20pm

**CHAIR:**

**DATED:**