

Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council held on Saturday 29 November 2014 at 1.00 pm at Pembroke House (Lower Hall), 80 Tatum Street, London, SE17 1QR

PRESENT: Councillor Martin Seaton (Chair)
Councillor Claire Maugham
Councillor Maisie Anderson
Councillor Paul Fleming
Councillor Eleanor Kerlake
Councillor Lorraine Lauder MBE
Councillor Maria Linforth-Hall
Councillor Darren Merrill
Councillor Adele Morris
Councillor David Noakes

OFFICER SUPPORT: Dr Ruth Wallis, Director of Public Health
Jin lim, Assistant Director of Public Health
Joseph Okai, Project manager, Public Realm
Pauline Bonner, Community Council Development Officer
Virginia Wynn-Jones, Constitutional Officer

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The chair welcomed councillors, members of the public and officers to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Neil Coyle, Karl Eastham, Dan Garfield and Rebecca Lury.

3. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

There were none.

4. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

5. MINUTES

Councillors considered the draft minutes of the Borough, Bankside and Walworth Community Council meeting held on 29 September 2014.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2014 be amended so that Item 17, under the final line of the bullet point referring to Site L read “people cutting across pavements at the corner of Weber Street.”

The minutes were then agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair.

6. THEME: HEALTHY WINTER AND EBOLA UPDATE

There were presentations from Dr Rachel Heathcock of Public Health England and Dr Ruth Wallis of Southwark Primary Care Trust on Ebola, emphasising that there is very little risk of Ebola in the UK, and that there is no risk of transmission of the virus unless someone has been in contact with the bodily fluids of someone who has symptoms of Ebola. They recommended contacting NHS Choices and www.gov.uk/phe for further information.

There was a presentation from Fraser Serle of the Warmer Winter team from the London Boroughs of Lambeth and Southwark, stating the importance of staying warm. He encouraged people to eat well, drink regularly and wear layers; and also that the Citizens Advice Bureaux had a lot of experience in helping give financial support, including getting energy companies to grant credit for heating bills.

6.1 HEALTH SERVICES

There was a presentation from Jin Lim from Southwark Public Health on HIV, tuberculosis and flu, emphasising the importance of getting the flu vaccine every year.

6.2 SOUTHWARK CARERS

There was a presentation from Verinder Mander of Southwark Carers, who spoke about the economic and social impact of unpaid carers, and the difficulties they often face.

7. OLDER PEOPLE'S SLOT

8. YOUTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The youth community council updated the meeting on their activities. They were recruiting more members and planned various workshops; please contact Pauline Bonner at Southwark Council for details.

9. BUDGET CHALLENGE

Councillor Fiona Colley, cabinet member for finance, strategy and performance, presented the budget challenge. The latest cuts to the council's budget had led to the council needing to cover a £31 million funding gap this year. The public went through the budget challenge during the break.

10. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

There had been a surge in membership of mutual credit unions, as a financially healthy alternative to pay-day lenders. There was a day of action on 13 December 2014 at 11am at St Peter's church.

Deryck Browne of the African Health Policy Network emphasised the importance of testing for prostate cancer.

Joseph Okai, from public realm, informed the meeting about the flood risk management strategy and encouraged people to take part in the consultation.

The transport planning team are consulting on the draft cycling strategy; this can be found at www.southwark.gov.uk/cyclingstrategy.

Global Giving highlighted their charitable work, principally connecting donors with charities to maximise the benefits for both. There is also Giving Time, an online volunteering platform available at <http://giving-time.org/>.

The Carnaval del Pueblo had arranged events in East Street on 7, 14 and 21 December 2014.

Inspector Barton introduced the police update, confirming that this was his last meeting as he was moving out of the area. After this meeting, the new inspector is Inspector Martin Nicholson. The police's focus had been on Operation Equinox, aiming at reducing violent assault. Inspector Barton also gave crime prevention advice for over the Christmas holidays. This included avoiding putting presents on display where they're visible through a window, keeping an eye on your bags whilst out shopping, and keeping a light on while you're out in the evening.

11. REFRESH AND UPDATE OF THE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT LIST (CIPL)

Note: This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

That this item be deferred to a future meeting, in order for the concerns recently raised by councillors to be responded to by officers.

12. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

An additional public question was received in writing after the meeting.

Question:

On 18 November 2014 the cabinet pledged £63m over 15 years for the Elephant and Castle transport improvements, to be recouped, it is hoped, from Section 106 planning agreements and the Community Infrastructure Levy. So as to provide assurance that the council's capital programme will not be over-stretched, and that other projects will not be deprived of resources, please could full particulars be given of:

- (1) the future developments which will provide the S106 and CIL resources; and
- (2) the agreement that the GLA have given "to underwrite the financing costs" [para 82 of the cabinet report] of the E&C transport improvements, in particular whether this agreement includes making good any shortfall of S106 and CIL resources below £63m?

Officer response:

The agreement between TfL, the GLA and Southwark Council is only at a preliminary stage with a memorandum of understanding expected early next year. The £63m is made up of £48m expected costs and £15m contingency. The council along with TfL have identified expected S106 and Southwark CIL income from new developments primarily in the Elephant & Castle to cover this £48m as detailed in the attached spread sheet.

The council has already received sufficient funds to cover the next few years payments to TfL, along with over £16m committed from Lend Lease developments. Most of the identified sites are those coming forward in the next 5 years, with additional sites expected to come forward later in the 15 year time frame. The £15m, if need, has been profiled to come from Southwark CIL at a rate of £1m a year over 15 years.

13. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

There were no petitions or deputations.

14. COMMUNITY COUNCIL HIGHWAYS CAPITAL INVESTMENT 2014 - 2015

Note: This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

That this item be deferred to a future meeting, in order for the concerns recently raised by councillors to be responded to by officers.

15. ONE HOUR FREE PARKING AT SHOPPING PARADES

Note: This is an executive function.

An officer introduced the report. Members considered the information contained in the report. Members had questions for the officer.

The officer undertook to bring a rationale for Great Suffolk Street to Councillors Morris and Noakes and reconsider its inclusion.

RESOLVED:

That the community council approved the list of locations set out in Appendix 1 that will be consulted on the introduction of one hour free parking be approved.

16. LOCAL PARKING AMENDMENTS

17. ESTATE PARKING SCHEME - TABARD GARDENS

Note: This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

1. That the following local traffic and parking amendments are approved for implementation subject to the outcome of any necessary statutory procedures:
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Abinger House – to be included in an estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Shere House – to be included in an estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Estate Selbourne House – to be included in estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Becket House – to be included in estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Balin House – to be included in estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Brenley House – to be included in estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Betsham House – to be included in estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Northfleet House – to be included in estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Boughton House – to be included in estate parking scheme

- Tabard Gardens Estate Evnsford House – to be included in estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Kellow House – to be included in estate parking scheme
 - Tabard Gardens Estate Pilgrimage Street – To be included in estate parking scheme.
2. That the inclusion of Elizabeth Estate in the estate parking scheme, as the area was outside Tabard Gardens.

17. GLENGALL ROAD - INTRODUCTION OF 'NO WAITING AT ANYTIME'

Note: This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

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

Glengall Road – introduction of 'No waiting at any time' (double yellow lines).

18. UPPER GROUND - INTRODUCING TIME LIMIT TO PARKING IN TWO EXISTING DISABLED BAYS

Note: This is an executive function.

Members considered the information contained in the report.

RESOLVED:

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

Upper Ground – between Hatfields and Rennie Street:

Introduce a parking limit of a maximum of four hours per day in the existing two disabled bays.

19. COMMUNITY COUNCIL QUESTION TO COUNCIL ASSEMBLY

The community council agreed to submit the following question to council assembly:

What support is the council providing to carers in the light of recent government cuts?

Meeting ended at 4.20 pm

CHAIR:

DATED: