

# **PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM WALWORTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL – September 2009**

No:	Question	Response from:
1.	The problems caused by street drinkers outside Morrison's in the Walworth Road could be solved by substituting the type of benches used in bus shelters for the more comfortable benches <i>in situ</i> . (Mrs Norma Wansey)	<b>Philip Murphy</b>
	<i>Response awaited.</i>	
2.	The drinkers are sitting on the floor outside the 'Good Intent' public house in East Street. Today (9 September) and two weeks ago one was lying on his back. (Ms Mary Wood)	<b>Paul Jeffrey</b>
	<i>Response awaited.</i>	
3	At the Carnaval Del Pueblo held in Burgess Park this August, I saw thousands of flyers for language schools etc given out and then immediately dumped on the ground. Would it be possible to prevent this littering? Perhaps those organisations responsible for the flyers could be requested to have a stall to hand out leaflets.	<b>Chair Caroline Chalklin</b>
	<i>The Carnaval Del Pueblo is an independent organisation from Southwark Council. The clerk has emailed the General Co-ordinator of the Carneval on behalf of the Chair with this comment. The Chair is awaiting a response.</i>	
4.	I would like to congratulate the organisers of this summer's festivals. Could the East Street Festival and the Walworth Festival be organised so there is more time between them, it does not seem good value for money to hold two events in the same park with one shortly after the other.	<b>Philip Murphy</b>
	<i>Response awaited.</i>	
5.	What is happening to the Manor Place baths and depot?	
	Councillor Pidgeon responded that planning permission has only just been granted for the new depot in the Old Kent Road, so the services using Manor Place will not be moving immediately. Even when the new depot is completed, there will need to be wide consultation on the plans for Manor Place before work is started.	
6.	Please could Councillors get the Manor Place building listed. (Mr Crawford)	
	Councillor Pidgeon responded that the facade was already grade II listed, together with the big hall.	
8.	Cooltan Arts is running a mental health project in Walworth, users and staff of which are having to use a portaloo as there are no lavatories. It should be the statutory duty of the Council to provide reasonable premises for voluntary organisations.	<b>Neil Martindale</b>
	<i>There is no "statutory duty of the Council to provide reasonable premises for voluntary organisations". Whether there should be such a duty to provide 'premises', reasonable or otherwise, on this or any other Council is a matter for debate. MP's would be those in a position to pass such a law if it required primary legislation, or the relevant Minister who already has delegated power to introduce secondary legislation by statutory instruments/ regulations to effect the same.</i>	
9.	Cooltan Arts did not receive any money from the Community Council for a 'Midnight Walk' during the Summer, despite it going through much of Southwark. A Cooltan Arts Largactyl Shuffle Sponsored Walk will take place on October 10 2009, which is Mental Health Day. The walk will go from the Maudsley Hospital in Denmark Hill, to the Tate Modern along the Largactyl Shuffle Trail. Please register at <a href="http://www.cooltanarts.org.uk">www.cooltanarts.org.uk</a>	
10.	Amersham (a block on the Aylesbury estate) has lost its indoor sports hall, it is important that there are sports facilities available during the rebuild of the Aylesbury estate.	
	<i>Councillor Bates responded that the Creation Board of Trustees is aware that this is a problem and it is investigating provision of facilities</i>	

<b>11.</b>	<p>Concern was expressed by Councillor Pidgeon at the trolleys kept outside Morrison's on the pavement in Walworth Road. She felt this was a big issue and expressed her determination to ensure their removal.</p> <p>Mr Beedell suggested contacting BT to request they move the telephone boxes nearer to the road, which would create more room on the pavement.</p>
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