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Walworth Community Council

Date: Wednesday October 3, 2007

Time: 7.00 PM

Place: Heygate Tenants' & Residents' Hall, Centre Buildings,
off Brandon Street, SE17 1NA (see map page 2)

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1. Introductions and welcome (7.00pm)
 2. Apologies
 3. Disclosure of Members' interests and dispensations
 4. Items of business that the Chair deems urgent
Chair's announcements: Stall for consultation on the Council's equalities policy
 5. Minutes to be agreed from the previous main meeting and special meeting and matters arising: (7.05pm)
 - Statement on progress with Stead Street development attached to minutes
 7. Deputations (if any) (7.25pm)

Main Business

8. Aylesbury Area Action Plan: update and announcement of event for residents – Annabel Sidney (7.35pm)
9. Licensing 'Saturation Policy' – Rosanna Keogh (7.40pm)
10. Cleaner Greener Safer scheme – John McHenry/Tracy Dickinson (7.45pm)

VOTING and TEA BREAK (8.30pm)
Vote for your favourite Cleaner Greener Safer projects and visit stalls
Meet your Councillors, Council Officers and police officers

12. East Street market environment – Stephen Douglas (8.50pm)

Public Question Time

(9.00pm)

Residents are invited to ask questions on topics not on this agenda; please complete the form on page 5 of this agenda or there are additional forms at the back of the hall.

Member Decisions

(9.10pm)

Members will decide on a reappointment to the Governing body of St John's Church of England Primary and an appointment to a vacancy to the Governing body of Surrey Square Infants' School. Members will also formally approve the top three priorities for the regeneration of small shopping parades within the Walworth Community Council area.

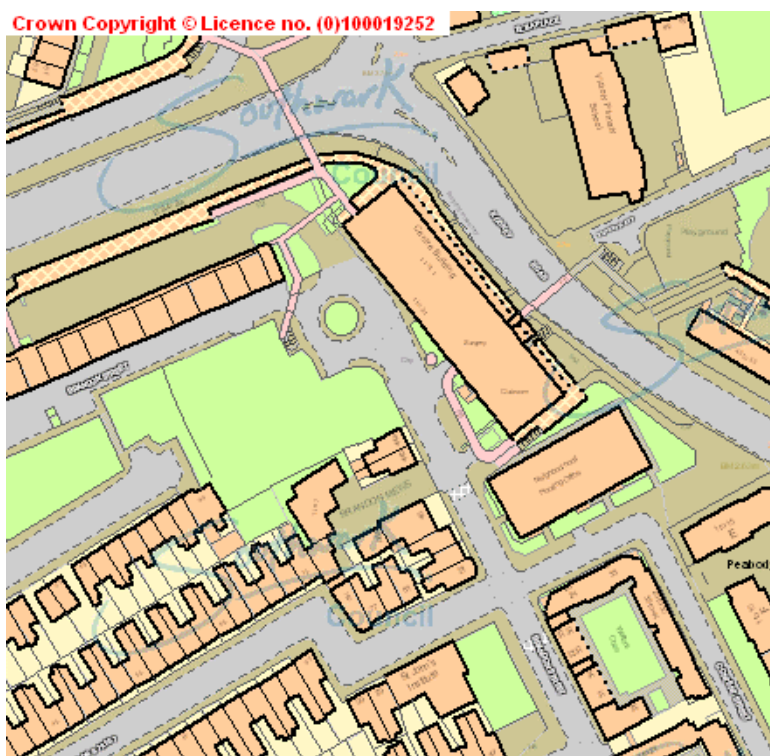
Closing Comments by the Chair

(9.15pm)

Scheduled meetings – all starting at 7pm:

Meetings currently scheduled	Venues
October 17 – Planning	Aylesbury Day Centre
Wednesday November 7 2007	To be arranged
December 18 – Planning	Aylesbury Day Centre
Wednesday December 19 2007	To be arranged
January 15 – Planning	Aylesbury Day Centre
Wednesday February 13 2008	To be arranged
February 5- Planning	Aylesbury Day Centre
Wednesday March 26 2008	To be arranged
March 27- Planning	Aylesbury Day Centre
April 29 – Planning	Aylesbury Day Centre
Wednesday May 7 2008	To be arranged
June 4 – Planning	Aylesbury Day Centre

MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF THIS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING



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Councillor Lorraine Lauder Vice-Chair
Councillor Paul Bates
Councillor James Gurling
Councillor Jelil Ladipo
Councillor Kirsty McNeil
Councillor Caroline Pidgeon
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Councillor Martin Seaton

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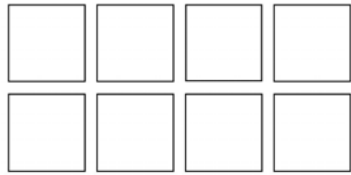
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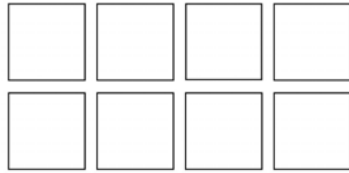
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Walworth Community Council

Main Meeting

Minutes of the Walworth Community Council Meeting held on
Wednesday July 4 2007 at 7.00PM
at Heygate Tenants' & Residents' Hall, Centre Buildings, off Brandon Street, SE17

Present

Councillors: Abdul Mohamed (Chair), Lorraine Lauder (Vice-Chair), Paul Bates, Jelil Ladipo, Martin Seaton, Caroline Pidgeon, Jane Salmon and Kirsty McNeil

The meeting opened at **7.05pm**.

1. Introduction and welcome by the Chair

Councillor Mohamed began the meeting by welcoming residents. He explained the process to be followed at the meeting and introduced Members and officers.

2. Apologies

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor James Gurling and from Councillors Lorraine Lauder and Caroline Pidgeon (for lateness).

3. Disclosure of Members' interests and dispensations

None

4. Notification of any items the Chair deems urgent

There were none.

5. Chair's announcements:

- Cllr Mohamed said that this year's Community Fund schemes would be agreed at the July 23 Walworth Community Council planning meeting.
- There would be special Health Scrutiny Committee taking place on July 7 2007.
- That the Cleaner Greener Safer deadline was July 16 and encouraged residents to apply.

6. Confirmation of minutes and matters arising

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on May 9 2007 be approved as a true and accurate recording of that meeting, and be signed by the Chair.

Matters arising: Residents said that the Stead Street development should be discussed.

RESOLVED:

That the Stead Street development be considered at the next Walworth Community Council meeting. *[Please see Appendix 1]*

7. *Deputations (if any): Deputation from the Elephant & Castle traders:*

The traders expressed deep concern over their futures. They said they have been part of the community for between 15 and 40 years and yet there is little or no dialogue with the Council. Numerous promises have been made as to how the Council would help the traders survive but nothing certain was on the table. They added that eight businesses had been lost already and they needed support now.

Cllr Seaton asked about customers and if the traders would re-locate or did they want to stay ?

The traders said there was a mix of locals and passing trade but they were certainly losing the locals who were moving out. According to Southwark's impact assessment small businesses would be destroyed by the regeneration.

Councillors supported the traders in their request for Council action and more involvement in planning their future in the area.

8. *Community Slot: Cambridge House & Talbot and North West Community Champions*

Ms Lewis reported on the pilot work that gave support to volunteers. It has links to various active local citizens groups. Between March and June 2007, ten community champions were recruited - five of them voluntary and five paid. These community champions were trained and supervised and have gained valuable skills and experience. For some, it was their first employment and they learned about UK systems of health, education and community safety. At the end of the course individuals receive an accredited certificate.

9. *Public Question Time: Gill Davies (Strategic Director of Regeneration) and Des Waters (Head of Street Scene and Public Protection)*

Question – I live in Peckham and I am disabled. It is difficult to find a parking space. Can we have some more disabled bays ?

Des Waters – We do consider applications but usually they are limited to one disabled parking space per street. If you have a permit you can park across the borough. All applications are considered on their merits and rejections are explained.

Question – How long does it take to get a parking permit ? I know someone who waited 2 years.

Des Waters – It's a question of resources and should be less than one year. I will see if we can speed up the process. At the moment only one person works on that.

Question – Can you do something about East Street Market as when the shops close the rubbish is thrown into the street ?

Gill Davies - Regarding East Street Market the cleanliness is an ongoing struggle to attain perfection. There have been various changes over the years and there's a working group for residents and traders. I will look into it and report back.

Question - With the 20mph zone in East Walworth, why did the Council jump the gun ? You don't do that if you're going to have proper consultation

Des Waters - We got the 20mph issue wrong, sorry.

Question - When there's an accident and the traffic lights are out of order there's no help for motorists to go another way. Problems with closures around Thurlow Street and Walworth Road can you help ?

Des Waters - We realise there are problems with road closures. When these occur we consult bus companies. The Council does not set the timings of traffic lights. Transport for London do that.

Question - The problem with parking on East Street is at junctions. It gets so crowded that in the event of a fire or an accident, emergency vehicles would be unable to get through due to double parking.

Des Waters - Yes it's a huge problem and we are aware of the danger. In the last couple of months there have been 1500 visits by parking attendants to the area. There needs to be partnership between the Council and residents. In recent weeks 300 Fixed Penalty Notices have been issued in the area.

10. **Strengthening relationships with the Voluntary and Community Sector:**

Camilla Sheldon presented

At a national level – NSPCC, Childline, Shelter, Help the Aged, Cancer Research UK, Comic Relief

At a local level – Citizens Advice Bureaus, Law Centres, Credit Unions, Playgroups, Tenants & Residents' Associations

Grant priorities for 2008/09:

Community Centres

Provide a physical base for people and groups

Engage with local communities

Build links with Community Councils

Community Safety

Reduce crime and the risk of crime

Support victims and witnesses

Arts

Provide leisure and cultural activities – music, dance, theatre, museums

Youth

Activities for 13-19 year olds

Increasing employment, training and education for 16 – 19 year olds

Reducing anti-social behaviour

Camilla invited the views of residents which would form feedback into the process:

Your comments will given to the Departmental Commissioning Officers

Programmes will be advertised in Autumn 2007

Allocations made early 2008

Final decisions made by relevant Executive Member in Spring 2008

Question - Can more funding could be given to bring the Citizens Advice Bureau back to the area ? People need advice for their finances.

Camilla - I will take that back to the relevant officer. We give a lot of money to advice services. Perhaps those in this area could do more advertising.

Chair asked - What proportion of the budget for the voluntary sector will be devolved to Walworth Community Council ?

Camilla - Community councils will not be in charge of the budget. The funding will be borough wide so splitting would be complicated. Some of the community council areas have a greater need than others. It is important that we have local input to pass on to the commissioning officer.

Question - Is there any mileage in the community knowing what money is spent from what pots?

Camilla - I cannot speak for the commissioning of projects by the NHS and PCT (Primary Care Trust). We do know from our programmes what goes out where in the voluntary sector.

BREAK

Following the resumption, Camilla said that several TRA groups were going to contact her with views. She added that generally people had agreed with the priorities outlined. Most residents wanted to see more youth provision during the school holidays.

11. **Crime Update:** Sergeant Croft introduced herself as the new Safer Neighbourhood officer

East Walworth:

- The area had seen a 48.6% reduction in burglary
- There have been 10 anti-social behaviour contracts issued
- Several squats had been closed and a cannabis factory
- Four community payback projects had been undertaken

Faraday:

- The Home Secretary and Police Commissioner Blair had visited that week
- The Home Sec. complimented the Safer Neighbourhood Team on their work
- The SNT had identified local graffiti artists and they were being dealt with by the youth offending team
- The SNT had spent a day in Taplow with the alcohol action team and the vagrant unit to tackle rough sleepers

Newington:

- 3 priorities here are drugs, anti-social behaviour and mopeds
- Several warnings had been issued to youths cycling on the pavement and to mopeds
- Police would seize the vehicles of persistent offenders

Sgt Croft said that staffing levels were now full.

Cycle training is being implemented and all PCs and PCSOs were being trained to ride bikes.

There is a lot of work going on against gangs. This is both crime prevention and support for youths in the area. There are events in Burgess Park over the summer. School patrols were still very successful.

The crime statistics for the borough were as follows:

Figures are 12 months to June 2007 (previous year in brackets)

Total Crimes	39508 (40702)
Homicide	10 (7)
Violence against person	8610 (8668)
Rape	103 (113)
Other sexual	304(336)
Robbery (total)	2729 (2844)
Robbery (person)	2506 (2645)
Robbery (business)	223 (199)
Burglary (total)	4005 (4242)
Burglary (residential)	2373 (2466)
Burglary (non-residential)	1632 (1776)
Gun enabled crime	278 (280)
Motor vehicled crime	4473 (5688)
Domestic crime	2535 (2774)
Racist crime	344 (420)
Homophobic crime	79 (76)

Clr Bates said there had been sexual assaults on the Aylesbury and many residents were concerned. He asked about the sort of patrols being done ?

Clr Bates said that a woman had recently fallen to her death from a flat but was left there for half an hour. Why was there no help ?

SNT officer said that regular patrols were taking place on the estates.
Re the woman who fell to her death – It is being treated as a suicide. The Police are seeking more information on the incident.

Question – Are there any more CCTVs available for dangerous areas ?

SNT officer - More CCTVs were a matter for the Council. He added that if there were particular things going on residents should contact their local Safer Neighbourhood Team straight away.

12. **Cleaner Greener Safer:** John McHenry / Tracy Dickinson

Residents were reminded that the Walworth budget for this year was £419,000 and that the closing date for completed applications was July 16 2007.

A list of schemes, from previous years, and their progress was circulated to those present

How will decisions on Cleaner Greener Safer be made ?

- At the next Walworth Community Council (October 3) applicants will be invited along with one supporter to tell Councillors and local residents why their scheme should be supported.
- Local residents will then be able to vote for their favourite projects and priority themes for the Walworth area.
- Councillors will then meet to discuss the results of the votes and present successful and unsuccessful applications in November.

Cllr McNeill said we always get a high concentration of proposals for Burgess Park improvements. Can we share that with other community councils ?

John McHenry said where other areas bid for similar schemes then it could be considered.

Question - A resident enquired about the voting system for CGS schemes. They said that people who don't usually attend meetings turn up and get their way. Further that a lot of the money is already lobbied from Cllrs before the actual vote takes place.

John McHenry – I take your point but selection has been broadened this year. There will be three preferences and people are encouraged to identify themes that matter to them.

Chair added that those who attend meetings care about the environment and that those who only vote at elections were still entitled to vote.

13. **Aylesbury Area Action Plan:** Annabel Sidney

Annabel said that the main focus of consultation was the Aylesbury but they would also be looking at Burgess Park. The masterplan considered existing routes through the estate and the neighbourhood would have a wide range of facilities.

There are proposals to make the park work as a "Great Park". There are also ideas on making Albany Road less busy. Consultation would cover the social and community infrastructure including: shops, health centres and day centres.

Cllr Pidgeon asked about the involvement of Groundwork Southwark ?

Annabel said, we have members of Friends of Burgess Park on the team. Also we have a workshop planned for next week that they're involved in.

Cllr Bates said that the Community Development Trust (CDT) will have their own ideas on developments. If the CDT retains control of the park how would you marry that inconsistency ?

Annabel said she was aware of the issue. It was very important to get the park right and the process was now a lot more earnest. The park is good but should be better as everyone would gain from that. The options report would go out for consultation in September.

14. Regeneration of shopping parades: Ben Smith / Rickard O'Connell

The Council has identified approximately £1.5 million capital funding per year for the next three years, £4.5 million in total across the whole of Southwark. This is to deliver a programme of investment in local shopping parades linked to the agendas for business and regeneration.

The main aims of the programme are:

- To improve local trader environments outside the major town centres
- To improve local business environments that would otherwise be unlikely to receive investment
- To retain existing businesses
- To attract new businesses to vacant premises
- To increase the number of local employment opportunities
- To secure agreement on a programme of works from key stakeholders
- To engage local businesses and traders (owners and occupiers of premises) in the scheme, resulting in local 'ownership'
- To encourage the establishment and capacity of local business networks
- To increase commercial activity
- To increase public safety and reduce fear of crime
- To link with other Council initiatives including – community safety, transport, environment

CLlr Pidgeon said it was a fantastic programme and asked for consideration of a small parade on the Newington estate. She added that de-cluttering of signage would aid regeneration.

Question - Could we have a variety of shops please ? There is a lack of butchers and bakers.

Rickard O'Connell – The scheme is designed to encourage these other shops.

CLlr Lauder - East Street could certainly do with a face-lift.

Rickard O'Connell - There are resource issues for the whole of East Street but some isolated parades do have potential.

Question - Do you envisage a shop re-design format ?

Ben Smith - There should be a standard on how much money we can invest. We need to take into account value for money and what would be consistent with the locality.

15. AOB

Question - A resident asked that something be done about the lack of working toilets in the area and that signage for them should be more prominent or improved.

Chair - I shall look into the situation.

The meeting ended at 9.30pm

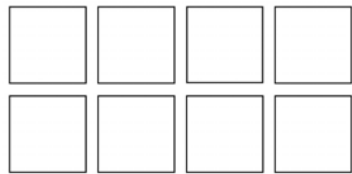
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APPENDIX

Statement of John Abbott, Assistant Director of the Elephant & Castle Development Team:

'The Stead Street Car Park site has been allocated for housing purposes in the recently adopted Southwark Plan. The Council has selected Housing Associations [Guinness and Wandle] to develop the site and architects have been appointed to prepare initial designs. This material was displayed at a two day public exhibition which was held in June of this year. The feedback from this event is being considered as part of the next stage of the design process. The scheme is intended to provide new homes for residents of the Heygate estate which is to be demolished as part of the redevelopment of the central area of the Elephant and Castle. The Stead Street scheme will also include homes for sale, and the existing English Martyrs Church Hall will be replaced by a new facility . The Housing Associations have now completed the Development Agreement with the Council and this enables them to release funding for the preparation of a detailed planning application for the site. The current timetable anticipates that the application will be submitted early in the new year and it is envisaged that a further public exhibition of the final proposals will be held before this the proposals are formally lodged with the Local Planning Authority.'



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Special Meeting

Draft Minutes of the Special meeting of Walworth Community Council
Monday July 23 2007 at the rise of the Walworth Community Council Planning meeting
Aylesbury Day Centre, Bradenham Close, SE17

Present

Councillors: Abdul Mohamed (Chair), Lorraine Lauder, Paul Bates, Jane Salmon, James Gurling, and Kirsty McNeil

The meeting opened at 8.10pm.

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Seaton and Pidgeon.

3. Notification of any items the Chair deems urgent

None.

4. Disclosure of Members' interests and dispensations

None made.

5. Community Fund 2007-08:

RESOLVED: That the Community Fund 2007-08 awards listed in the Appendix be approved.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm

Signed:

Date:

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WALWORTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Original held by Community Councils Development Team; Amendments to Caroline Chalklin 020 7525 7385

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