

# TAKEnote

## Bermondsey Community Council



### Minutes Agreements Form

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<b>Date</b>	Wednesday 7 September 2005
<b>Venue</b>	Aylwin Girls School, 55 Southwark Park Road, SE16 3TZ
<b>Start time</b>	7.06pm
<b>Finish time</b>	9.25pm
<b>In attendance</b>	Councillors Bassom, Flannery, Manchester, Skelly and Stanton
<b>Absent</b>	Cllr Mizzi
<b>Apologies received</b>	Councillors Mann, Kyriacou, Capstick. Also Brenda Johnson (Setchell) and Di Thresher (Kipling)
<b>Urgent items</b>	Deputation on Anti-social Behaviour (ASB)
<b>Members' interests and dispensations</b>	Cllrs Manchester and Stanton declared personal but non-prejudicial interests as they live in the area under discussion.

Public questions raised	
<b>Q1</b>	Interesting presentations but appeared to be some duplication. What is being done to pool resources and work more effectively together?
<b>A1</b>	(Toy) The new Together Action Zones (TAZs) are forming collective action plans and will pull together various different agencies. Fun days actually involve a number of agencies. Proud of the community response at these events.
<b>Q2</b>	Lift out of use at Dartford House (Longfield Estate). Often full of rubbish when in use. Petitions have been submitted regarding this.
<b>A2</b>	(Flannery) As Executive member for Housing he has been made aware of the petition. There is a full lift replacement programme underway. (Cllr Flannery said he would see if an engineer could visit the site in the following days to get the lift back in order, then they would look at how to tackle ASB and lift vandalism. Leigh Richman also committed to this.)
<b>Q3</b>	(Residents of 4 Squares) Urination in lifts is a big problem, as is violence. Falls on deaf ears at TRAs. Receive reports but no action. Drummond Road is full of nools of water as the surface is uneven· drains need cleaning· cars trving to

	overtake youth on bicycles are pelted with bricks, the drug dealers are known and yet are still there; twisted wire is an unattractive security measure; squatters take over football pitches; there have been several motorbike incidents. More problems than most estates; not many attending meetings as are frightened. Don't see much of a warden presence. No one is interested in the Four Squares. If residents call the police they do not get a response so no one calls anymore. Don't know what to do now.
<b>A3</b>	(Inspector Mark Johnson) There is a problem with perception and fear of crime. It is important to know details of incidents – times and places and so on. This is the only estate with a dedicated police officer. When the new 'It's Your Call' system is in place it will be better. (Flannery) Clearly problems need to be addressed. Multi-agency approaches have been successful and arson has decreased through this. Need to build on this. £2.5million investment is being made into security measures on all four squares within the next 18 months. Between now and 2010 we have to meet the Government's decent homes target. Will know the schedule of works soon. Garages will be looked at soon. Clearly general maintenance is a problem. A walkabout could be arranged to find out more about residents concerned. (Jonathon Toy agreed to take a lead on this. Date has been set (see below).
<b>Q4</b>	(Residents of 4 Squares) Not criticising wardens – know they do patrols but would be helpful if they gave some feedback. Criticism comes from lack of reporting back.
<b>A4</b>	(Flannery) New officers will now be seen on estates to pick up maintenance issues. (Bassom) Hope that the fact that the meeting is being held is proof that councillors and all concerned are trying to put the situation right.
<b>Q5</b>	(Resident of Longfield) Where are the statistics attained from?
<b>A5</b>	Police, wardens, agencies.
<b>Q6</b>	What is being done about gangs?
<b>A6</b>	Jonathon Toy said he was leading on a pan London strategy on this issue. Also there are local gangs communities meetings being held fortnightly. The next one is on 4 <sup>th</sup> October (then 18 <sup>th</sup> October) 2005 at the Science and Technology Centre, Wilson Road, SE5 at 5pm.
<b>Q7</b>	What's happening about the lights on Longley Street?
<b>A7</b>	(Connolly) Will get Mick Lucas to attend next meeting to explain. Had been assured were coming.

### Summary of the decision or action

The following is a summary of the decisions and actions taken at this meeting.

The item number relates to the agenda item number where possible.

Clarification or queries on any points should be raised in the first instance with Louise Shah on **0207 525 0640**

Item number	Summary of the decision or action
5	<b>AGREED:</b> That the minutes of 6 July 2005 (General) and 29 July 2005 (Planning) are true and accurate recordings of those Community Council meetings
4	<b>ACTION:</b> To follow up the deputation with a view to an independent review of the case
PQT	<b>ACTION:</b> To get an engineer to Dartford House and Hartley Houses to look at the faulty lifts and also a glazier to fix a window at Fairby House
PQT	<b>ACTION:</b> To look at ways of addressing lift vandalism/ ensure accurate logging of lift breakdowns
PQT	<b>ACTION:</b> To go on a walkabout of the Four Squares as soon as possible [Has been arranged for 18 <sup>th</sup> October, 6pm]
PQT	<b>ACTION:</b> To invite Mick Lucas to the next meeting to update the public on the Longley Street lights
6	<b>NOTED:</b> That there is an exceptional gap between reports about motorcycles and what appears to be the reality on the ground. Local people need to be encouraged to report motorcycle incidents so more information can be gathered and any redirecting of resources justified
	<b>NOTED:</b> That both councillors and members of the public found the meeting very useful and would like to have perhaps two a year of this nature

The information included in this form, together with the attached notes, form the minutes from the above meeting and have been agreed as a true and accurate recording of that meeting. Any necessary amendments shall be detailed in the **Summary of Actions** held at the Town Hall by the relevant Community Councils Development Officer.

Chair .....

Date .....