

TAKEnote

Bermondsey Community Council



Minutes Agreements Form

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Date	Wednesday March 15 2006
Venue	Aylwin Girls School, 55 Southwark Park Road, SE16 3TZ
Start time	7.00pm
Finish time	9.40pm
In attendance	Councillors Bassom (<i>Chair</i>), Mann, Capstick, Stanton and Skelly Inspector Johnson (Metropolitan Police) Officers: Caroline Chalklin, Sarah Feasey, Sean Connolly, Tim Thompson, Roger Stocker, Abdi Mohamed.
Absent	Cllr Mizzi
Apologies received	Sarah Naylor.
Urgent items	None
Members' interests and dispensations	None

Public questions raised	
Q1	Concern was expressed that Cleaner, Greener, Safer projects were reserved for specific areas of Bermondsey.
A1	Cleaner, Greener, Safer projects are selected by Community Councils from proposals made by residents. Residents who want a particular project that fits Cleaner, Safer criteria should propose it at a main Community Council meeting. Proposals that do not get allocated funding can be proposed again at the start of the next Municipal Year.
Q2	The pavements in Tooley Street become clogged with queues for the London Dungeon, and it is not possible to safely walk in the road as there is an ice-cream van parked there.
A2	Work has been done with the management of the London Dungeon to get queues for the attraction managed. Environment & Leisure will work on getting unnecessary clutter removed from the pavements.

Q3	Were businesses consulted about possible changes in traffic management around Blue Anchor Lane?
A3	Yes, all sections of the community were consulted.
Q4	Why isn't anything done to sort out the wrecked cars etc left outside by the garages in Blue Anchor Lane?
A4	Unfortunately, when officers visited the problem was not apparent. It would help if residents phoned Environment & Leisure when these incidents occur, so that Environmental Health officers could visit. Housing management could pursue illegal parking on Housing department land.
Q5	Could Alster Road (by the Bermondsey Spa developments) be made one way?
A5	The problems with traffic in Alster Road will improve as the developments are completed.
Q6	There was a traffic jam caused by a large funeral in Spa Road, what is being done to control traffic in Spa Road?
A6	The new development will include works to slow traffic down, and Home Zones will be introduced.
Q7	How late do Community Support Officers patrol, what training do they receive and what powers do they have?
A7	Community Support Officers (CSOs) work until 10pm. They receive 2 weeks training in Hendon, and two weeks at the Southwark training centre. CSOs have the power to detain suspects on the spot for 30 minutes, until police officers arrive.
Q8	What can be done about mopeds jumping red lights and driving down the wrong side of the road?
A8	Dealing with road traffic offences is difficult, as they are usually not witnessed by police officers. Licence plate readers are used to catch unlicensed and uninsured vehicles.
Q9	Who do I call if I witness a crime or anti-social behaviour?
A9	If you see a crime being committed, or serious disorder, ring 999. For anti-social behaviour problems, ring the ' <i>It's your call</i> ' number, which is 020 7525 5777.
Q10	Do the Allocations Officers take carers into account when allocating housing?
A10	Yes, an assessment is made and the priority on the housing list adjusted. Applicants who have carers providing 24-hour assistance will be allocated accommodation with an extra room for the carer. Currently, there are 12,500 people on the waiting list.

The following identifies the actions arising from the above meeting.

The first named Officer is the person responsible for initiating and coordinating the action required.

NB: 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
5	AGREED: That the minutes of 1 February 2006 (General) and January 11 2006 (Planning) are true and accurate recordings of those Community Council meetings
9	ACTION: That a further report on usage of Bermondsey Street be brought to the next meeting, including the results of the commissioned study.
10	ACTION: A report on the blind corner of Enid Street and Spa Road be brought to the next meeting.
11	AGREED: That the grants to voluntary organisations by the Community Fund, as specified in the attached schedule, be approved.
Members' decisions	AGREED: That a vote of thanks be given to the outgoing Chair for her hard work.
Members' decisions	AGREED: That the following Governor appointments be made: Mr O'Leary to Alma School Mr A Baxter and Dr C Fieschi to Southwark Park School Miss L Campbell to Tower Bridge School Mr A Morris to Grange School
Members' decisions	AGREED: That the proposal for a disabled parking space in Alma Grove (outside 51) be approved subject to the outcome of statutory procedures.
Members' decisions Planning item 2	AGREED: That consultation on the proposed extension to the Bermondsey Conservation Area be approved.
Members' decisions Planning item 3	AGREED: That the Appeals Monitor (1 October to 31 December 2005) be noted.