

TAKEnote

Dulwich Community Council



Minutes Agreements Form

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Date	Wednesday 24 September 2008
Venue	Christ Church, 263 Barry Road, London SE22 0JT
Start time	7.00pm
Finish time	9.50pm
In attendance	Cllr Nick Vineall (Chair), Cllr Robin Crookshank Hilton (Vice Chair) Cllrs, James Barber, Toby Eckersley, Kim Humphreys, Jonathan Mitchell and Richard Thomas.-
Absent	Cllrs Michelle Holford and Lewis Robinson
Apologies received	An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Cllr Lewis Robinson.
Urgent items	There were none.
Members' interests and dispensations	None were disclosed.

Public questions raised	
Q1	Stephen Smith: Why is the carriageway on the North Dulwich Railway Bridge now even narrower than before, especially for vans and buses? Surely the point about rebuilding was to allow greater weights to pass without restricting the driving area further so I am not pleased.
A1	Chair: The bridge was dangerous which could not safely carry lorries and large vehicles – prefer not to encourage this. Pleased with the design which is fine for buses. Jon Sheaff reported: The traffic island has been shifted to Red Post Hill because it was difficult for buses particularly bus 37. The officer agreed to feedback to the team about the weight restrictions and dimly lit bollards. Jon mentioned that works to the bus stop at Red Post Hill will commence shortly.
Q2	Robert Johnson: ‘Dulwich Park Lodges’ Lodges have been empty for about three years. What progress has been made to find a tenant that will use the buildings for the advantage of the general public – e.g. shops, café etc?
A2	Jon Sheaff reported: I apologise for the slow process – the current situation is to a put bid in for College Lodge, one has been withdrawn. However the interview dates have been set. a) The Council hopes to go into partnership with the successful bidder b) External works have been completed c) Park wardens in southern base in Dulwich need to establish a base first – Roseberry Lodge
Q3	Maureen Cunningham: When closing off the traffic light pedestrian crossing adjacent to Northcross Road – Chesterfield Grove outside Iceland Foodstore. Why didn’t the Council worker who carried out this project on the morning of 24 Sept 2008 install a temporary crossing either to the south of Chesterfield Grove or outside Somerfield. There is the only one apart from the zebra crossing near East Dulwich Police Station and the Goose Green roundabout so, to cross this part of Lordship Lane – people are taking their life and their children’s life into their own hands?
A3	Due to the ongoing gas works along Lordship Lane – there was no other alternative but to close off the crossing. Officers / Cllrs agreed to discuss the matter with the gas works company concerned.

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 Beverley Olamijulo on **020 7525 7234**

Item number	Summary of the actions and Decisions	Action by
5.	<p>Consultation on the new Housing Strategy (<i>discussed under chair's announcements</i>)</p> <p>DCC notes the officer's presentation on:</p> <p>(i) The community council consultation on the new Housing Strategy document which sets out the strategic approach to housing, describing the key housing issues in the borough.</p> <p>(ii) The Council and it's partner's priorities for tackling those issues over the life of the strategy covers housing across all tenures (public and private sector housing) with a particular focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing demand and supply • Housing conditions and • How housing services can contribute to meeting wider strategic priorities, such as improving health, tackling poverty and creating safer and stronger communities. <p>(iii) The consultation which is in two stages. The first stage is finding out what residents and other stakeholders' key concerns are, and what they think the Council and partners should do to respond to this.</p> <p>(iv) The second stage will be issuing a draft strategy and consultation document. This will be sent to all interested parties and advertised in local papers. This stage runs from around December 2008 until February 2009.</p>	

	<p>For further details please refer to the Council website: http://www.southwark.gov.uk/YourServices/HousingandHomes/strategyandstatistics/</p>	
6.	<p>Minutes from the previous meeting (pages 7 – 19)</p> <p>DECISION: The Minutes of the Dulwich CC meeting held on 7 July 2008 were agreed and signed by the chair subject to amendments mentioned below:</p> <p>ACTION:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Append to minutes the list of successful CGS bids (2008-09) awarded in July 08 2. Item 11, report on improving local retail environments (ILRE) amend point (i) to read as follows: <i>‘Consultation on Herne Hill parade of shops (with local traders, residents and users) will commence shortly’</i> 3. Delete point (iii) 	CCDO
7.	<p>Matters arising from the previous meeting</p> <p>Road schemes on Court Lane:</p> <p>DCC notes a separate public consultation meeting is due to take place on proposed road schemes on Court Lane. Date to be confirmed shortly.</p>	
9.	<p>Cross boundary issues</p> <p>DCC welcomed CPCA chairman John Payne’s announcement - that Croydon Council are uniting with Southwark, Lambeth and Lewisham in opposing a major planning development to build private luxury flats on open public parkland in Crystal Palace park. John agreed to provide any further info at the next meeting.</p>	

10.

Reports from the Safer Neighbourhood Teams

DCC received presentations from the three ward sergeants on the following:

East Dulwich

Sgt Jackson presented:

- Overall crime (reported) is down by 69 offences between August 2007 – August 2008
- Burglary still is a major problem in East Dulwich
- Figures on motor vehicle crime is down over a 3 year period – it was suggested that some of these offences are not always reported to the police
- Drug offences have risen – SNT are tackling the problem and catching those responsible

Residents were encouraged to visit www.map.met.police.co.uk where details of mapping showing crime levels

Sgt Jackson thanked Dulwich CC for cleaner greener safer funding allocated to Dulwich Police Station.

College

Sgt Warren presented:

Ward priorities:

- Tackling anti social behaviour – e.g. Kingswood Estate
- Theft of metal – two arrests have been made
- Youth engagement – working with youth initiatives
- Dealing with crime along Lordship Lane and Sydenham Hill
- Motor theft – Sydenham Hill – increased patrols

Village

Sgt Jenkinson presented:

Ward priorities:

- Robbery and anti social behaviour in areas like Norwood, Village and Lytcott Grove
- Ward panel meeting on 1st Oct 08 at Alleyn's School, Townley Rd
- SNT are using 'SmartWater' a forensic coding system to tackle burglary in the area

	<p>Dulwich Police Station</p> <p>Sgt Jenkinson announced that proposals have now been put on hold by the Met Police Authority (MPA) because they were unhappy with the consultation process involving the 'roll out' of SNT bases and proposed closure of Dulwich police station.</p>	
12.	<p>East Dulwich ward – discussion of aspirations for input to local plan -</p> <p>DCC welcomed presentations from the neighbourhood and renewal manager (Dulwich/Camberwell) who spoke about the area action plan etc. The area lead officer for Dulwich spoke about the revamping of Northcross Rd market, briefed members on public realm issues and progress of CGS projects in East Dulwich.</p> <p>ED ward members highlighted local issues mostly concerning Dulwich Community Hospital, East Dulwich Community Centre and Lordship Lane parade of shops and road safety issues.</p> <p>At each stage residents provided their input which was noted by members/officers.</p>	
14.	<p>Project Banks across the Borough 2008</p> <p>Officers from regeneration and neighbourhoods presented this item and agreed to arrange a meeting with the chair to address some of the issues highlighted at the meeting.</p>	<p>Yvonne Sampoh/ Dan Taylor</p>

15.	Members decisions	
Executive decision	LEA school governor appointment: (closed session) DCC agreed to the re-appointment of Ms S C Goddard at Langbourne Primary	Pam Rayment
Executive decision	Local parking amendment: Melbourne Grove	
Executive decision	DECISION: DCC approved the local parking scheme – to revoke the partial footway parking on Melbourne Grove.	Michael Herd
	Local Parking issues: Woodwarde Rd, Matham Grove & Lytcott Grove	
	DECISION: DCC approved the local parking schemes set out in the report for implementation subject to the outcome of any necessary statutory procedures.	Hope Nabimanya
	Dulwich C C agreed the following motion: DCC requests for its next meeting a report on the nuisance caused by the parking on residential streets of run down vans with hand painted advertisements for “van and man” and the like; the report to advise on the feasibility of including in the next London Local Act of Parliament powers for London Boroughs to deal with this matter.	E&H Officers Tim Walker/ Andrew Downes
	<i>The following officer response was received after the meeting:</i>	
	The nuisance vehicle department has received numerous complaints of these unsightly vehicles that have been left in position for long periods of time, advertising a van & driver. On inspection these vehicles were found to be in poor condition,	
	Further checks were carried out, only to confirm that they were all registered with the DVLA taxed, insured and have current MOT’s legally on the public highway.	
	These vehicles are inspected and details checked on a regular basis by our inspectors.	

<p>Any deterioration or laps in documentation results in their removal under the Highways Act 1980.</p> <p>Vehicles have been removed in the past under the Highways Act 1980 one of which was destroyed due to it being vandalised beyond repair.</p> <p>We do request the owner to move the vehicles in order that we can clean the public highway, on no occasion has he failed to comply.</p> <p>I am unaware of any legislation that will allow us to deal with the poor sign writing on the vehicles.</p> <p>(Alan Whatley, environment & housing)</p>	
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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**.....