

TAKEnote

Walworth Community Council



Minutes Agreements Form

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Date	Monday 13 November 2006
Venue	Pasley Hall, Stopford London SE17
Start time	7.05 pm
Finish time	9.55 pm
In attendance	Cllrs Mohamed, Seaton, Salmon, Pidgeon, Bates, Gurling and McNeil
Absent	
Apologies received	Cllrs Lauder, Ladipo and Zuleta.
Urgent items	Local Parking Issues
Members' interests and dispensations	None

Public questions raised

Q1	If a group is willing to accept a smaller project or accept only part of a project, will they be considered for that as well as the original bid?
A1	Yes, please put the alternative proposal in writing to Tracey Dickinson or John McHenry.
Q2	Some bids will also receive funding from Section 106 monies. Will this affect their bids?
A2	Section 106 money will be given in response to development taking place on Amelia Street / Crampton Street This money may not be available for two years and then separate bids will have to put in for this, therefore Section 106 money cannot be guaranteed.
Q3	There are some projects that I think are a waste of money. Can I indicate this on the voting paper?
A3	If residents feel they want to vote against a project, they should put a cross by the bid (as opposed to a tick for a project they want).
Q4	I gather that a lot of the bookstock at Newington Library will be kept in the gallery or in the reserve stacks. Won't this cause queues at the staff desk?
A4	Each book will be assessed as to its popularity and currency. Books that are less popular will be kept in the gallery and those that are the least used will be held in the reserve stacks. The books

	in the reserve stacks will be available to the public on application to library staff.
Q5	Why are there no proposals for a lift?
A5	Installing a lift in any building involves building a lift shaft, together with sinking a hole for the buffers etc. With Newington Library, which is a listed building externally and internally, finding space without disturbing unique features would be virtually impossible.
Q14	I went on the tour of the downstairs at the Library and looked at the plans. No one offered me a feedback form.
A14	Everyone on tours had their attention drawn to the feedback forms.
Q15	Surely, the plan to use the 'old' reference library for staff meetings would cause access problems for disabled library staff.
A15	If any member of staff was unable to access the 'old' reference library, we would hold staff meetings somewhere else that was accessible.
Q16	Who should I contact with feedback? And what is the timescale for consultation?
A16	You can contact Councillor Zuleta with your feedback, she is the Executive Member for Culture, Leisure and Sport by post to the Town Hall, or by e-mail: lorraine.zuleta@southwark.gov.uk . Councillor Zuleta will hope to redraft the proposals by the end of November 2006.
Q17	My Tenants & Residents Association never received a questionnaire about the changes to the Newington Library.
A17	The consultation mail out to Tenants & Residents Associations will be repeated.
Q18	Why was the Tibetan Buddhist group given the tenancy of Manor Place baths, and were other groups offered the premises.
A18	In February 2005 The Executive Member for Resources made an IDM decision to let 33 Manor Place to the Rokpa Trust. The building had remained vacant since 1996 when the Council vacated the property, the property is Grade II listed and was on English Heritage's "Buildings at Risk" register. The Council was only in a position to offer a short-term lease on the property as in the medium term it is intended that the property will be redeveloped in conjunction with the depot to the rear when this is relocated as part of the Council's Resource Programme to the Old Kent Road. The Council did consider reoccupying the property its self, however due to the length of occupation available and the repairing liabilities associated with the building it was deemed that this was not a prudent course of action and economically unviable. In such circumstances it is common for the Council to seek a "caretaker" organisation to occupy a property pending redevelopment to reduce the Council's exposure to on going revenue costs associated with security and maintenance of the property, similar arrangements have been entered into with Camelot at Braganza RHE and Peckham Wharf with Area Ten. These organizations are usually already operating within the Borough and are charitable in status. Such opportunities tend not to be advertised but offered to organisations, which have a live requirement within the Borough, which an individual property may fulfil.
Q19	Do the Buddhist group occupying Manor Place Baths require planning permission for putting up a banner outside the Manor Place baths?
A19	The banner is a temporary one; therefore planning permission is not required.

Summary of the decision or action

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

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 Caroline Chalklin on **020 7525 7385**

Item number	Summary of the actions	Action by
5	Decision: That the minutes of the Walworth Community Council meeting held on the 2 October 2006 be agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting, with the following amendments: Councillor McNeil be shown as present.	Chair
5	Decision: That conventional minutes be taken of Walworth meetings. <i>In the previous Minutes Agreement Form, Members and residents were advised that the Minutes Agreement Form and Take Note form the minutes required under the Constitution</i>	Chair
5	Decision: That a report be brought to a future meeting on the Walworth Road project	Caroline Chalklin
8 E	Decision: That groups receive the funding for activities listed in the schedule attached.	Forid Ahmed
8	Decision: That an item be brought to a future meeting giving feedback on the 2005-6 activities financed by the Community Fund.	Forid Ahmed
Member Decisions E	Decision: That the disabled bays in Wingrave, Balfour Street and Elsted Street are approved for implementation, subject to the outcome of any necessary statutory procedures.	Andrew Downes
Member Decisions E	Decision: That the appointments to positions as Governors of Victory Primary School be approved.	Nicole Galea

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

