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Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council

Minutes of the Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council meeting held on Tuesday 23rd November 2004 at 7pm at the Cossall TA Hall, 48 Mortlock Close, SE15.

Present:

Councillors: Robert Smeath (Chair), Mick Barnard, Alfred Banya, Andy Simmons, Fiona Colley, Dominic Thorncroft, Mark Glover and Aubyn Graham.

Officers: Louise Shah (CCO), Pauline Nee and Phil Davies (Environment & Leisure), Russell Profitt and Dave Ware (Peckham Programme), Rachel Prosser (Legal), Tim King (Planning), Chris Hunter (Housing), Lisa O'Donnell (Regeneration) and Karl Murray (Education).

The meeting started at 7.05pm

1. Introduction and Welcome:

Cllr Smeath welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council.

2. Apologies:

Non-attendance: Simon Baxter and Adrian Newman.

3. Disclosure of Members' Interests:

There were none.

4. Urgent Items of Business:

There were none.

Matters from the Previous Meeting:

5. Minutes:

The minutes of the Community Council meetings held on 21st September 2004 (General and Planning) and 7th October 2004 (Planning) were **AGREED** as true and accurate recordings of those meetings.

6. Planning Policy Items (previously Item 8):

Lisa O'Donnell gave a presentation on the proposed pre-inquiry changes to the UDP. She started by stating what Planning Policy do; what is in the Southwark Plan; the vision for the borough and the four main effects of the plan; how the plan is set out

and progress so far. She then stated why people should be interested, the main changes and priorities for Nunhead and Peckham Rye, and the next stages of the process. Following on from this the Statement of Community Involvement and the Local Development Scheme were described.

Q&A on Planning Policy:

Q1: Are the Council starting to move towards a local compact?

A1: A discussion document is to be released soon but it is not being written currently. This is something that could be brought up and if there are ways people feel participation could be enhanced then they should feel free to suggest them.

7. a) Brimmington Park:

Trefor Lloyd explained the proposals for Brimmington Park (two five a side pitches and two multi-sports areas) and said that Brimmington Sports Development Trust will ensure young people get priority there after school on weeknights and from 10am until 8pm on weekends. Their request is for money for a building that would have two changing rooms, and office, a storeroom and a training and multipurpose room. They envisage 400 people using the facility a week from both sides if Queens Road and the other side of Old Kent Road. They want the site staffed as much as possible so would like to employ two full time staff and one part time caretaker.

Q&A on Brimmington Park:

Q1: Could the adjoining Community Council contribute?

A1: Yes, and they already have.

Q2: Could the local TRA Hall contribute? There is a hall there that could be used.

A2: The focus for this is outdoor rather than indoor sports and in terms of changing rooms, the building is too far away from the site and is not equipped with showers.

Q3: Is it dangerous for children to be there in the evening? How will they get there?

A3: The area will be fenced off and the centre staffed so parents can drop children off and collect them later.

7. b) Cleaner Greener Safer (previously Item 9):

Dave Ware, Peckham Programme, presented the following:

- £80,000 has been allocated to date (Grot spots – 30K - and safer routes to Peckham Rye Station – 50K)
- £323,000 left to allocate this year.
- A list was presented with various proposals (attached as Appendix 1).

Q&A on CGS:

Q1: Why haven't Nike joined up with the Brimmington project?

A1: Can go back to Nike with this as a proposal.

Comment: Nike is one of the least ethical companies.

Comment: The cause is ethical though.

Comment: If the street drinkers are removed from Brimmington Park they will go elsewhere/ old people use the benches on Heaton Road too. It would be best to keep the drinkers together, especially as they often look after one another.

- Comment:** There is a new wet centre at St Johns that is very successful. Maybe they should be linked in.
- Q2:** Why is there 150K for Nunhead shop fronts? Why not for Rye Lane? Also the Clifton Estate has not been mentioned, nor has the Cossall playground (basketball area, no toilets or lights). The only thing children can do at the Pulse is swim; other facilities are needed.
- A2:** (Simmons) The bids on the list were suggested by residents, also it is not an agreed list yet. Depending on what gets allocated this evening, it may be possible to contribute further ideas for this round.
- Comment:** (Ware) The Peckham Programme bid for Peckham Town centre will definitely help if successful.
- Comment:** £100,000 for a City Farm would provide an appreciable amenity in the Peckham Rye Common area.
- Comment:** The ball court at Juniper House is definitely needed; there is match funding from Groundworks.
- Comment:** What about the play facilities at John Donne school?
- Q3:** Should CGS really fund removal of street signs? Couldn't the department responsible be pressurised to do this?
- A3:** Agree with this but it has already been a long wait and they do not have the necessary budget for this. It would be wiser to perhaps allocate a small amount to get instant results.

7. c) Green Chain Walk:

Philip Kolvin gave a presentation requesting a contribution of 10K to match fund with that already allocated from Dulwich Community Council. Leaflets with the route were available.

Q&A on Green Chain Walk:

- Comment:** Commend the scheme. The Peckham Society has been consulted all the way through and it links up with the Green Walk already supported by Community Councils previously.
- Q1:** Is the Brockley Footpath included?
- A1:** Not sure but can find out.
- Q2:** The Crystal Palace Society has not been included in lists.
- A2:** Can be added.
- Q3:** What does the money include?
- A3:** Path maintenance, lighting, security and a cycle path.

8. Copeland Road Car Park (previously Item 10)

Phil Davies gave a presentation stating that the proposal for Copeland Road is to have a recycling site there but that this is a very initial stage. Planning application would need to be applied for, along with a licence. A team have been commissioned to create an impression of what it would look like and the Environment and Leisure department are awaiting this. When more information is available they can bring it back to the Community Council.

Q&A on Copeland Road:

- Q1:** Where is the site?
- A1:** Was described.

- Q2:** (Simmons) There are several churches around Rye Lane and they are granted planning permission based on parking. What would happen if the area was full of cars on a Sunday with people wanting to drop of their recycling waste?
- A2:** [This is information E&L were not aware of. They are currently in the process of investigating which churches have permission and what numbers of cars are involved. They would then feed this information into the traffic audit part of the scheme. They have to look at all implications of the proposal - one of them being traffic movements in, to and from the site itself.]
- Q3:** What about the car park on top of the Atwell Estate? Have they been contacted regarding a possible site there?
- A3:** Only at the initial stages so no.
- Q4:** What is the proposed timescale for this?
- A4:** Initial planning permission would not be sought until March with a view to achieving full planning permission in June 2005. Subject to this being granted it would not open until the summer of 2005.
- Q5:** Is there enough time to contact TRAs?
- A5:** They will be going through Housing to make sure this is done.
- Comment:** (Simmons) There are not many TRAs there so it would be a big job to consult properly.
- Q6:** Has councillor Simmons' point about parking gone unnoticed?
- A6:** Part of the reason for attending is to understand the issues and listen to local concerns.
- Q7:** Would the whole of the car park be used?
- A7:** Yes, but there would be a boundary to enclose it from the residents.
- Q8:** There are two children's playgrounds there; would they have to play amongst rubbish?
- A8:** The area would be closed off and the playgrounds would remain untouched.
- Q9:** (Glover) Who requested this locally, and was this site recommended in particular?
- A9:** Several people around the borough requested this sort of facility. Officers then decided to find a suitable area for it.
- Q10:** (Glover) Have other areas been consulted?
- A10:** Not many areas around, but they may have to look for them.
- Q11:** Car parking frequently overlaps between residential and retail areas. If the Council are genuinely seeking local people's opinion, parking is a really big problem, and not just in Copeland Road. (**ACTION** to invite the Chief Executive or a representative to come to the next meeting to address this issue.)
- A11:** Cllr Simmons said that he asked the Chief Executive about this a few months ago and was assured this will be looked into. Terms of reference for a group are being drawn up now.
- Q12:** Concerned that a place can be chosen and residents are simply told. What happened to consultation?
- A12:** It may not be a feasible option. Some work has been done but opinions of locals are needed.
- Q13:** Has the existing area on Peckham Rye been considered?
- A13:** This only has recycling banks; the Council is looking to change this.
- Comment:** Think recycling, especially in this area, is a fantastic idea and would definitely use it.
- Comment:** Would second the Peckham Rye Common idea.

9. Youth Strategy Consultation:

Karl Murray gave a presentation on the Youth Strategy stating that the main aim of the process is to look at local resources, see who is providing what and for whom, and if they are doing what they say they are doing (attached as Appendix 2).

Q&A on the Youth Strategy:

- Q1:** (Colley) Please child participation is included. Recently went to a class on citizenship at Waverley and the children were very much involved. Consultation is taking place here tonight but how are the youth being consulted?
- A1:** Southwark Youth Council are considering the strategy. Voluntary organisations and youth centres are also being consulted. The strategy has been dissected into manageable chunks for the young people to look at.
- Q2:** (Thorncroft) It is often difficult to get projects off the ground. How can this be helped? People want to see delivery as well as strategy. (After school clubs being a case in point.)
- A2:** Resources are on the ground to do this. The after school section should be able to help. Many clubs are closing because young people are outgrowing the centres. Detached work is a focus.
- Q3:** Why are secondary schools not consulted?
- A3:** They are, via the Southwark Youth Council. There are also questionnaires sent around and so on.
- Q4:** The After School Team does shows that are very good.
- A4:** Yes, officers are trying to think of more inventive ideas, such as cafes on estates.
- Q5:** What is happening at Brayards? (Also commended Karl Murray on his presentation.)
- A5:** Unable to say at this stage but will be able to soon.
- Q6:** What is the timescale for this? Would like to see an increased emphasis on working together and not ghettoising youths.
- A6:** It is not an agreed strategy so it is impossible to say whether it will happen or not. It is being piloted and a delivery plan for all departments is being sought after to see where their energies are spent, also a delivery plan for each of the Community Council areas would be helpful. The issue of youth provisions during winter has been raised at this Community Council previously; people tend to burn out at the end of summer and it is important to balance provisions throughout the year.
- Q7:** Have there been good results from the pilots?
- A7:** Yes. Co-ordination amongst groups has been proven good. Working in a more joined up way provides leverage for funding and increases the advertising scope. Volunteering promotes cohesion so it will be promoted.

Public Question Time:

- Q1:** A question was raised at a previous Community Council meeting about a right filter light from East Dulwish Road into Nunhead Lane. What is the progress?
- A1:** Cllr Smeath read out a statement from the Traffic Group regarding this but it referred to the wrong junction so he said officers would be asked to give a full update at the next meeting (**ACTION**).

Comment: If anyone wants to find out more about where mobile phone masts are going up and raise objections, speak to John Gorsuch.

Comment: Peter Frost is available for any questions regarding the Southwark Civic Awards.

Q2: The mini roundabout at Consort Road/ Clayton Road is very dangerous. Traffic lights would be better there. Also, the junction at Harders/ Gordon Road is a problem; traffic cannot pass due to parked cars. It is an accident waiting to happen.

A2: Cllr Smeath said this would again be something Transport could address at the next meeting. Cllr Colley said that there are proposals for the latter.

Comment: Street Leaders: if anyone is interested in becoming a Street Leader contact Dave Taylor on 0207 525 2455.

Announcements and Break: 9.10pm – 9.26pm

10. Rye Lane Update (previously Item 9):

Phil Davies said that there are 33 trade waste bins on Rye Lane and these are causing problems with access, especially if overflowing. There have been a number of discussions on this matter. There are 2 proposed solutions: 1) get the cardboard out of the shops to reduce the waste inside (Russell Profitt is looking at securing S106 money to conduct a feasibility study on this) and 2) get the bins off the streets. The Council have a duty to care but they also do not want to disadvantage the traders. Peckham Town Centre Management Group is being consulted on these options. Time banding is to start on 24th January 2005. There would be two half hour collection slots a day (8.30am – 9am; 4.30pm – 5pm) and bin size would be reduced. The Waste Management Team and wardens would police this and there would be levels of warnings leading to enforcement, should traders not comply. This will be piloted for 2 to 3 months. After this, officers will return with the results and assess the scheme.

Q&A on Rye Lane:

Q1: Has a study on pedestrian and vehicular traffic been conducted? The times seem inappropriate.

A1: 10am to 11am might seem more appropriate but the storage in shops is not adequate enough to wait this long. It is not perfect but the options have all been considered. A survey has been done but unfortunately the results are not to hand; they can be brought to the next meeting (**ACTION**).

Q2: Won't resources diminish and the environment be further polluted with these extra collections. Can incentives be offered to traders?

A2: Westminster are big exponents of this type of scheme. Trying to offer recycling would decrease waste charges, which is an incentive. The voluntary sector needs to be worked with to deliver that.

Q3: There is a white van that delivers to several shops on Rye Lane and is frequently obstructs traffic. Also, it would probably be busier from 9.15am as elderly bus pass holders can travel with their passes from then.

A3: This was considered, but again, a compromise had to be found.

Q4: (Graham) It is in the traders' interests to co-operate with the Council. Parents with pushchairs and the elderly using motorised buggies find it difficult to use the pavements when rubbish is obstructing their path. If they want people to shop there it is in their interests to make the experience more pleasant. They have space inside their shops and should prioritise using this space to store their waste.

A4: Officers will be making it clear that traders have a duty to comply, but also do not want to be heavy handed. The Council would prefer to work *with* them to get results. Russell Proffitt's negotiation and co-operation should help greatly.

Q5: Trade waste gets dumped in residents bins (member of public said that they lived near there) and the waste ranges from meat to hair from hair salons. Can there not be a check to see who has agreements and who does not?

A5: It has only been possible to get information on this since November 2003. Once that information was available, any trader not in possession of an agreement was given 14 days notice to obtain one. Prosecutions took place if not.

Comment: Again the point about joining the Street Leaders team was reiterated, as a way for residents to flag up these issues and actively help to solve the problems.

Members Decisions:

AGREED: That the minutes of the Community Council meetings held on 21st September 2004 (General and Planning) and 7th October 2004 (Planning) are true and accurate recordings of those meetings.

AGREED: To allocate Cleaner Greener Safer money to the following projects:

Juniper House Security (40K)

Grot Spot Fund (50K)

Green Chain Walk (10K)

Brimmington Park (60K)

Peckham Rye Common (35K, plus 15K underspend from last year)

And **RESOLVED** that the resurfacing and erection of railings at Choumert Grove Car Park should be funded by the Parking section from the parking fund surplus rather than via the CGS route and requests a report back from officers on the timescale for the completion of these works.

AGREED: That the Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council notes that officers have produced a report regarding Improvements to Playgrounds Bids which was not presented formally to the Community Council and is incomplete. The Community Council calls upon the Executive to defer a decision on this matter until the report has been formally presented to the Community Council, after proper consultation with the Peckham Programme and the four local NHOs, so that proper decisions concerning Council resources can be made. The resubmitted report should include the proposals for playground improvements at Juniper House, Pelican Estate and Buchan Estate, which have been submitted for the Cleaner Greener Safer Programme.

AGREED: That the Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council recognises the broad support for a city farm in the area and calls upon the Executive to instigate a formal site search for the City Farm Group.

AGREED: To reappoint Mrs H Morrin as School Governor to John Donne Primary School.

**The meeting was closed at 9.15pm.
There were 47 signed-in attendees (although 58 counted).**

Chair:

Date:

APPENDIX 1: CGS Proposals List

Cleaner Greener, Safer Programme 2004/5		
Budget £353k		
Project	Estimate of Cost	Comments
2004/5 Projects Agreed		
Safe Routes to Peckham Rye Station	£50k	
Grotspots	£30k	
To Allocate	£273k	
Underspend 2003/4		
Honor Oak/Peckham Rye Walk Green Link	£50k	
Revised Allocation	£323k	
2004/5 Projects with Community Profile		
Brimmington Park	£60k	Contribution to £150k pot for changing rooms, new astroturf pitch, entranceway arts project and lighting
Juniper House Ball Court and Play Space*	£70k	Refurbishment for use by Juniper Co-op residents
Juniper House Security	£40k	Fence and Gate
Peckham Rye Common -	£100k	Fencing, dog free areas, play area, repaving perimeter
Choumert Car Park	£60k	Resurface and new railings
Nunhead Green Shop Fronts	£150k	12 shopfronts and upper level brick cleaning - targetted
St Mary's Road Green	£75k	Allocation could reduce - will require consultation on use - needs renewed seating area
Asylum Road Green	£20k	Requires Consultation if agreed
Town Centre clutter removal	£25k	Removing redundant signs and street furniture
Green Chain Walk (Nunhead - Crystal Palace)	£10k	Contribution to match Dulwich CC - initial study to extend walk from Nunhead Cemetery to Crystal Palace

Brockley Footpath - initial phase of work	£25k	Police liaison required - help points and cctv
Goose Green Playground*	£35k	Contribution to match Nike project to resurface with recycled trainers and add play equipment
Grotspot Fund	£50k	Additional sum to allow flexible programme of eyesore removal
Pelican Estate Play Area		
Pelican House Security Works		
Heaton Road/Rye Lane Junction		Removal of benches and adding shrubs to alleviate street drinking
Buchan Estate Play Area*		
Holly Grove/Lyndhurst Way security fences		
Removal of Peckham Rye Station entrance canopy		Temporary canopy now an eyesore - will need replacing
Kirkwood Road Anti-Social Behaviour Measures		
* NB separate Housing allocation for play areas on Atwell, Rye Hill, Cossall and Daniels Road estates only.		

APPENDIX 2: Youth Strategy

Outcomes for young people:

Being Healthy – enjoying a good physical and mental health and living lifestyle;

Staying safe – being protected from harm and neglect and growing up able to look after themselves;

Enjoying and achieving – getting the most out of life and developing broad skills for adulthood;

Making a positive contribution – to the community and to society and not engaging in anti-social or offending behaviour;

Economic well being – overcoming socio-economic disadvantages to achieve their full potential in life.

The challenge:

- How to best co-ordinate and provide coherence to the planning of resources to achieve the five desired outcomes for children and young people.
- A more integrated and transformed ‘youth offer’. An offer that ensures that young people are equipped and supported to make the right choices, to manage complexities in their lives, to seize the opportunities available and to promote personal development and active citizenship.

The Youth Offer:

- The ‘youth offer’ proposed through this strategy will take as its starting point the need to make *the* difference in the lives of young people as they move into adulthood
- Delivered through a strategic framework that engages with a wide range of providers in scope to supporting young people
- Monitored and managed through the Children’s Service/Children’s Trust

Young people will be provided with:

Choices and opportunities within education that interest them

Opportunities that enhances their personal, social and educational development

Opportunities to have a say in the development of services and activities

Access to personal advice and support

Better and improved support for those demonstrating risk factors

Beneficial experiences of living in a diverse and multi-cultural borough,

Support for parents and families

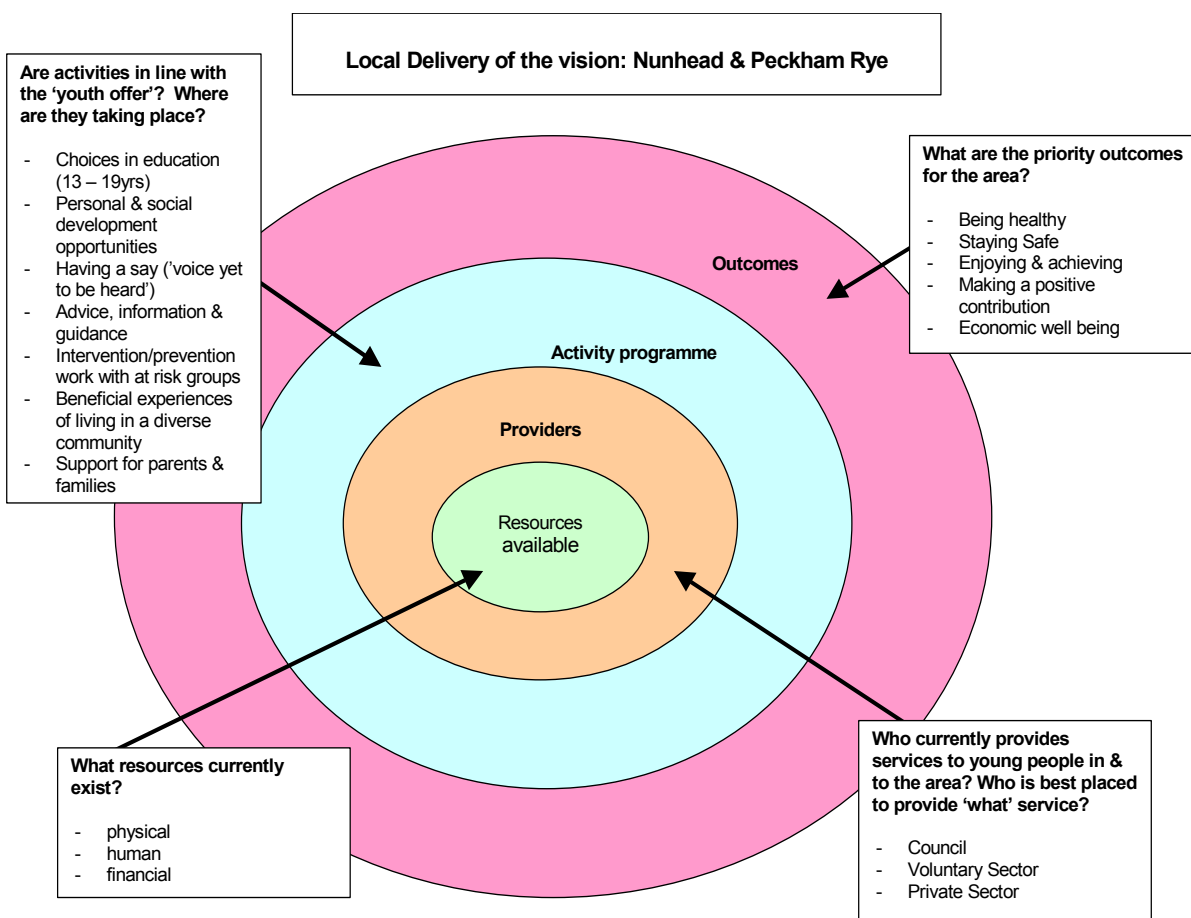
Implementing the Youth Offer:

- Young people’s participation
- Data sharing protocols & safeguarding
- Workforce development
- Governance & management - *The Children’s Service*

Key Agencies In Scope To The Delivery Of The Strategy:

- Youth Service
- Connexions
- Play & After-School Service
- Secondary Schools
- Youth Offending Team

- Teenage Pregnancy Unit
- Housing
- Social Services (16+/Cla)
- Drugs & Alcohol Team
- Education Regeneration Initiative
- Education Business Alliance
- Voluntary & Community Sector
- Independent & Private Sector
- Health Authority (PCTs)
- Libraries & Adult Education Service
- Arts, Culture & Museums
- Sports Development
- Others...



Management arrangements:

- Until the Children Services/Children's Trust is established, the Education Department assume lead role and responsibility for the implementation of the Strategy
- Role and responsibility of the Youth and Connexions Divisional Service Manager re-designated to be responsible for reconfigured Services for Young People Division within the Education Department to work:
- With colleagues within the Department to integrate secondary school strategy, schools community development and 14 - 19yrs curriculum development;

and across the Council, with other Divisional Service Managers, to deliver the strategy objectives.

- Monitoring and evaluation of the delivery and implementation of the strategy objectives will be the responsibility of the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership/Children's Trust through the 13 - 19yrs Sub-Partnership.

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