



DULWICH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Dulwich Community Council held on Tuesday 22 June 2010 at 7.00 pm at Dulwich Grove United Reformed Church, East Dulwich Grove, London SE22 8RH

PRESENT: Councillor James Barber (Chair)
Councillor Helen Hayes (Vice Chair)
Councillor Robin Crookshank Hilton
Councillor Toby Eckersley
Councillor Jonathan Mitchell
Councillor Michael Mitchell
Councillor Lewis Robinson
Councillor Rosie Shimell
Councillor Andy Simmons

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME BY THE CHAIR

2. APOLOGIES

There were none.

3. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

Councillor Jonathan Mitchell declared a personal interest as Chair of Keep Dulwich Hospital campaign.

4. ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

None were submitted.

5. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Dulwich Community Council held on 25 March 2010 were approved as a correct record of the meeting which the Chair signed.

6. DEPUTATION REQUEST - CROXTED ROAD PARKING ISSUES

The community council heard the deputation from spokesperson, Mrs Neena Dhaun (Lambeth resident) who spoke on behalf of Lambeth and Southwark residents. Mrs Dhaun outlined the parking problems which occur along this road possibly caused by commuter parking.

The spokesperson outlined the following:

We live on a bizarre road where residents are both in Lambeth and Southwark- on either side of the road. I have personally canvassed opinion and found that residents between the crossroads with Turney Road up to the petrol station and garden centre are having major parking issues and want to see a change happen. We want both councils to start a consultation of residents on our road to introduce a CPZ for payment parking between 12-2pm on weekdays, to deter commuters from parking on our road.

We would like traffic officers for either Southwark or Lambeth be present to here our concerns.

AGREED:

That Officers are requested to initiate in conjunction with Lambeth a "Stage 1" consultation in respect of possible extension to Croxted Road between the Shell garage and Turney Road of the existing Southwark and Lambeth CPZ's.

7. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair announced the following:

1. Dulwich Community Council would like to extend a note of thanks to McGovern Carpentry for the work they have done to Say No to unwanted Bags (SNUB), on behalf of the East Dulwich community and local Schools in the area.

McGovern Carpentry donated wood from their building projects towards the Gardens for Schools Project. This evolved into McGovern volunteering to build all the gardens boxes – spending their limited free time building the boxes and installing them which have already been completed on Goodrich School, Summerhouse PRU and Goose Green School. They also agreed to complete the Projects for Heber School and St Anthony's School.

2. Gypsy Roma Traveller History Month 2010 – there are a series of activities and events to mark this. More information could be obtained from Michael Cleere Michael.Cleere@southwark.gov.uk

8. INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNITY COUNCILS

Abdi Mohammed, Dulwich neighbourhood coordinator gave an introduction to Community Councils setting out the history, purpose, structure and powers of community councils.

9. FORWARD PLAN

The Dulwich neighbourhood coordinator presented this item.

The presenter outlined the purpose of the forward plan is to ask residents and local community to write down issues they want the community council to consider as potential agenda items for future DCC meetings.

This plan basically is to agree one main agenda item or a theme (e.g. environment, education, health & social care or transport etc.) for future meetings. This would help officers plan for the issue earlier and give residents better opportunities to get involved. We will also need your input on what you want to consider.

10. SOUTHWARK ACTIVE CITIZENS HUB

The speaker from Southwark Active Citizens Hub was unable to attend due to illness but agreed to be at the next community council meeting in September 2010.

11. COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

Update reports from the Police (Safer neighbourhood teams)

The Community Council notes the presentations given by the ward sergeants.

Sgt Warran sent his apologies. The priorities for College Ward were conveyed as follows:

- Youth Violence
- Robbery
- Anti-Social Behaviour on Ward Estate.

The next Ward panel meeting takes place on 4 August 2010.

Sgt Jenkinson submitted his apologies. The priorities for Village were conveyed at the meeting:

Priorities for Village Ward:

- Robbery – figures in Norwood Road crime statistics have gone down but increased in Dulwich Park
- Bike theft on the rise – asked people to be vigilant.

A resident requested plain clothes Police patrols along Norwood Road due to the high level of crime in this area. Sgt Jackson agreed to speak to Sgt Jenkinson about this.

Priorities for East Dulwich Ward:

- Robbery – recent statistics suggest this has been reduced by half also working on burglary over the last three years in East Dulwich
- Seized drugs and stolen goods – the offenders were prosecuted
- Running a campaign on how to stay safe during the warm weather
- Handing out security bike chains to cyclists to curb bike theft in the area
- East Dulwich have plain clothes Police patrolling the area to tackle vehicle crime

To view full list of priorities for the three neighbourhood teams please go to the Metropolitan Police website <http://www.met.police.uk/teams/southwark>

Sgt Jackson highlighted the success of speed cameras which resulted in several tickets and warning notices being given to motorists. This has a automated number plate reader for offending motorists with no MOT or valid car insurance.

The Sergeant also referred to school children as young as 14 being robbed in Dulwich Park – a large majority are school children robbing other school kids. Many of these crimes go unreported – the SNTs are encouraging young people to come forward to report such crimes.

Cllr Crookshank Hilton spoke about the spate of crime in Village particularly for shops in the parade. Sgt Jackson mentioned the SNT will have special constables working over the summer – mostly at the weekend and at night – so further patrols would take place in all three wards.

12. COMMUNITY COUNCIL FUND ALLOCATION

EXECUTIVE FUNCTION

AGREED:

That having considered community projects applications for funding under the Dulwich Community Council Fund 2010 – 2011, DCC agreed to divide the allocation of funds equally amongst the three wards (College, East Dulwich and Village). Officers, in consultation with the Chair, will report back setting out the proposed amounts to be allocated to each organisation that will be ratified at the next community council meeting.

13. VEOLIA - RECYCLING CONSULTATION

Ian McGeough, outreach officer from Veolia Environmental Services gave an update about recycling in the borough. He gave an overview on how waste and recycling has risen almost reaching the target rate for the borough.

He informed the meeting about further improvements being made to the recycling service:

- Recycling bins were now mixed (smaller and slim-line) meaning that all recyclable materials could be put in together. This replaces the large black containers – information about this will be circulated to residents shortly.
- There is also a 'clear bag scheme' for residents which means you would now receive regular rolls of the bags which accepts more materials.
- The blue box and bag scheme however, remains unchanged. The council could only recycle those materials for which there was a market. All other materials were taken to landfills or turned into energy from waste plants.

Residents asked questions about the recyclability of certain materials. Ian advised that the following materials were among those that are now recyclable:

- detachable container lids
- envelopes with windows
- cardboard (without cello tape)
- batteries – can now be taken to local libraries and shops
- foil wrapper which stays scrunched is recyclable
- house hold products in bathroom are recyclable.

Items which are not included:

- jiffy bags
- any packaging with food waste on it (including baking foil with a lot of oil or other residue on it)
- laminated paper
- tetra /juice cartons (these were, however, recyclable at five locations across the borough which were not managed by the council, the closest being Sainsbury's car park at Dog Kennel Hill).

Following on from questions by Members and residents, Ian explained:

- New recycling symbols are being introduced on containers particularly food packages.
- A campaign will be implemented to keep paint out of landfill – to arrange and remove old paint pots – ring the department call centre (020 7525 5000) to arrange removal.
- The Old Kent Road (recycling) site is due to open shortly and there are on going discussions about whether to keep Manor Place open especially if people find it difficult to get the Old Kent Rd site.

- Hope that the food waste service will be operational within the next year or so.

The officer agreed to come back at a later date to give further updates.

14. PUBLIC / SOAP BOX QUESTION AND ANSWER TIME

Public question 1:

Is there any further progress concerning the road safety and traffic issues in Red Post Hill which was previously raised at a recent DCC meeting. Particularly now there are speed humps in place on the road making it difficult for transport buses to pass through as result of the number of vehicles (possibly commuter) parked along Red Post Hill?

Answer:

Cllr Eckersley agreed to take this matter up and report back at the next meeting.

Public question 2:

Following the allocation of funding for this year cleaner greener safer programme - what is the next stage with regards to this?

Answer:

The Chair advised that people should contact their local Ward Councillor or project officer in the CGS team cgs@southwark.gov.uk

15. LOCAL PARKING AMENDMENTS

EXECUTIVE FUNCTION

AGREED:

The following local parking schemes were approved as set out in the report subject to the outcome of any necessary statutory procedures:

- Sunray Avenue
- Sydenham Hill
- Glengarry Road
- Lytcott Road
- Worlingham Road.

The meeting ended at 8.55pm

CHAIR:

DATED: