



NUNHEAD AND PECKHAM RYE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Nunhead and Peckham Rye Community Council held on Thursday 15 March 2012 at 7.00 pm at Rye Lane Chapel, 59A Rye Lane, Peckham, London, SE15 5EX

PRESENT: Councillor Victoria Mills (Chair)
Councillor Mark Glover (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Fiona Colley
Councillor Rowenna Davis
Councillor Nick Dolezal
Councillor Gavin Edwards
Councillor Renata Hamvas
Councillor Althea Smith

OFFICER Rumi Bose, Planning Policy Officer
SUPPORT: Deborah McKenzie, Parks Service Development Officer
Kate Johnson, Planning Policy Officer
Alison Squires, Planning Policy Team Leader
Marian Farrugia, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator Nunhead and Peckham
Nadine James, Community Council Development Officer
Alexa Coates, Principal Constitutional Officer

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked councillors and officers to introduce themselves.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for lateness were received from Cllr Althea Smith. Cllr Fiona Colley apologised as she explained she would have to leave the meeting early.

3. DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

4. ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

There were no urgent items.

The chair took the opportunity to thank Nadine James from the community engagement team for the support she had given the community council as she would be leaving the council at the end of the month. The chair thanked Nadine for her excellent work.

5. MINUTES

RESOLVED

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 January 2012 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair.

6. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS (IF ANY)

There were none.

7. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following community announcements were made.

Peckham Settlement – Annemarie from Peckham Settlement explained that they were running a 'warmer homes' programme for over 60s to keep warm and well. Free home assessments were offered to check things like home insulation. The programme was meant to run until 31 March 2012 but was being extended by a couple of weeks to cover more homes.

Queens Road Peckham Station Improvements – Simon Phillips from the transport planning team explained that improvements were planned to the station which included: a new entrance at the west side of the station with a public square, new retail in the arches. Consultation was taking place on what people would like to see in terms of the new public space. Simon would be available to speak to people in the break and there would be people to speak to at the station as part of the consultation. The improvements were part of a wider renewal programme in the area.

8. PROPOSED WORK AT CAMBERWELL OLD CEMETERY

Deborah McKenzie from public realm updated the meeting on proposed works at Camberwell Old Cemetery. Deborah explained that the council looked after 3 cemeteries in the borough, Camberwell Old, Camberwell New and Nunhead. All 3 were running out of

space for burial. Deborah introduced Paul Harrison, a landscape architect working for the council, to explain some of the long term changes which would be taking place at Camberwell Old cemetery this year.

Paul explained that an area had been identified on the south side of the cemetery alongside Wood Vale, near to the Lewisham boundary. This had been an area of public burial up to the 1920s and 1940s with no real monuments and no rights to graves. Paul explained that traditionally soil was brought into cemeteries and placed over the top of existing graves so further burials could continue on the raised level. This method had taken place on the site pre-war. It was proposed that this method be used again in the area identified. This would require some removal of trees but a number of trees in that location were of poor quality and new tree planting would be done. The work was planned for late summer and would last approximately 12 weeks, with a new access to the cemetery required off Wood Vale for lorries. The proposals were subject to planning approval which was currently being applied for.

The chair asked how people would have their say on the proposals. Paul explained that this would be through the planning process. The application had been submitted and was being validated, once validated the statutory processes for consultation would commence. The application would be available on the council website for people to comment on. It was likely that the application would be determined by the main planning committee.

Paul and Deborah took questions from the floor relating to: the number of trees affected and the loss of biodiversity. Paul explained that 20 small and 14 mature trees would be affected but that around 80 new trees would be planted. The loss of biodiversity would be compensated for by planting native shrubs and the retention of dead wood.

9. PLANNING POLICY

Alison Squires, from planning policy, explained that the community council had been consulted on the Peckham and Nunhead Area Action plan over the past 2-3 years. The Area Action plan would set planning policies for the area for the next 15 years. Following consultation, a 'preferred option' of the plan had been drafted and Alison encouraged people to comment on the document. The plan covered policies relating to: employment and retail, housing, traffic and transport and parks and recreation.

Consultation on the document would run until 24 April 2012. Alison encouraged people to comment online, by post or via email.

Alison also added that a new Dulwich Supplementary Planning Document was being prepared which would be out for consultation soon. There was also an Open Spaces Strategy which was being consulted on. There would be public meetings on the Open Spaces Strategy on Saturday 17 March, 10.30am - 12.30pm at Southwark Council offices, 160 Tooley Street and Thursday 22 March, 6.00pm - 8.00pm, at Peckham Library.

The meeting then broke into workshops on the area action plan. Themes for the workshops were: housing, transport, design, open spaces and retail and employment.

10. CLEANER GREENER SAFER REVENUE FUND

Executive Function

Members considered the information in the report.

RESOLVED

1. That the £12,000 of cleaner, greener, safer revenue funding 2012/13 be allocated as follows:
 - Street Cleaning Peckham High Street South - £3,000
 - Street Cleaning Rye Lane- £9,000
2. That the £18,000 under spend be decided at a future meeting.

The chair invited suggestions on how the remaining £18,000 could be allocated. No suggestions were given by the audience.

11. CLEANER, GREENER , SAFER CAPITAL FUND

Executive Function

Members considered the information in the report, the chair explained that the money applied for by local groups and residents exceeded the amount of funding available. Councillors requested that the following schemes are prioritised for future years or through the community project bank: Lighting on the Pelican estate, lighting in Peckham Rye ward, footpath improvements at One Tree Hill and the tree stump in Peckham Rye ward.

Cllr Glover pointed out that in the past 'Trees for Cities' had match funded work in the area in the past and requested that project officers looked into this again.

RESOLVED

That the cleaner, greener, safer capital funding be allocated as set out below:

Nunhead	Allocation
Brayards estate caged area	£3,780
Queens Road/ Pomeroy Street Estate: safer lighting and paving	£8,500
	£3,000
T&RA hall in Buchan Road	£3,750
Making monuments safer - Nunhead Cemetery	£5,000
Spark Sport Centre in Brimington Park	£10,000
Daniels Rd Car park to Community Garden Conversion	£10,000
Dayton Grove greening and planting schemes	£8,960

Fencing and hedging St Mary's Community Centre	£11,500
Historic outdoor gallery for Nunhead	£1,200
Brockley Way zebra crossing	£17,500
Nunhead Total	£83,190
Peckham Rye	
Indoor sport for all Brenchley Gardens TRA	£1,500
Footpath through Brenchley Gardens	£29,000
One Tree Hill Allotments Water Supply	£3,500
Fencing & extension of children's fruit and vegetables garden in Peckham Rye Park	£1,950
Table tennis at Peckham Rye Park	£3,000
Jubilee beacon on One Tree Hill	£6,000
Improve Stuart Road Allotments security fencing	£10,226
Brockley Way zebra crossing	£17,500
Rye Hill Park resurface car park between the three blocks: Trent / Frome / Welland	£29,000
Peckham Rye total	£101,676
The Lane	
Improve the Parkstone Road/Bournemouth Close lighting	£9,300
New wrought iron railings to the Peckham Mosque on Choumert Grove	£5,400
Consort Estate Notice boards / maps/ signage / lighting	£17,000
Heron House Tree Planting/landscape	£16,000
Make the Parkstone Road / Bournemouth Close area nicer - new fencing, planters, painting bollards and improve entrance to Atwell Estate	£20,000
All weather sports pitch improvements in Warwick Gardens	£6,500
Choumert Grove car park greening	£2,000
Planting and Greening at Habitat Close	£6,260
The Lane total	£82,460
TOTAL	£267,326

12. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A resident asked about clean up times for dog fouling which was previously 2 hours but is now 48.

Councillors explained that this may be related to required budget cuts. There was £18,000 of CGS revenue funding available for the community council to allocate councillors

suggested that the feasibility of additional street cleaning be investigated by officers.

Action: Officers to investigate the feasibility of using the remaining £18,000 of Cleaner Greener Revenue funding for street cleaning

A resident raised issues with a new development which had been completed, complaining about noise and lack of notice of works.

Councillors advised that as the work had now been completed there was little that could be done and that in future residents should call the council's planning department if they have issues with development as contractors are required to adhere to a code of conduct.

Residents asked about a potential hosepipe ban and how this information would be communicated to residents.

Councillors advised that as soon as the ban was confirmed information would be available on the council website (usually on the home page). Councillors also directed residents to another site 'waterwise' which also contained useful information.

A resident asked if parking in the multi-storey car park in Peckham could be free to encourage people to shop in the area.

Action: Councillors to raise with Cllr Barrie Hargrove, cabinet member for transport, environment and recycling.

13. HIGHWAYS DEVOLVED CAPITAL BUDGET

Executive Function

Members considered the information in the report.

RESOLVED

That £97,250 of the highways capital budget be allocated as follows:

Peckham Rye		
Solomon's Passage	Carriageway	£15,300
	Northern footway	£3,000
	Southern footway	£5,950
Nunhead		
Bellwood Road	Carriageway	£38,000
Lane		
Keston Road	Footway	£35,000
Total		£97,250

14. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they include the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2, Access to Information Procedure rules of the Constitution.

15. SCHOOL GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS

Executive Function

Members considered the information in the closed agenda.

RESOLVED

That Miss Adeola Thompson be re-appointed as school governor for St. Francesca Cabrini Primary School.

The meeting ended at 9.08 pm.

CHAIR:

DATED: