

St Quintin and Woodlands Neighbourhood Forum

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Council supports the Neighbourhood Plan proposals Our October newsletter reported on the conclusions and recommendations made by John Parmiter as the Examiner of the StQW Neighbourhood Plan.

At that stage, it was not clear whether RB Kensington and Chelsea would endorse all these recommendations or might choose to vary or to add to them.

The Council has now published its proposed 'Key Decision' on the Examiner's report. This confirms that the Council intends to accept all his recommendations unchanged. The Public Realm Scrutiny Committee on November 25th noted this position, which was welcomed by Cllr Robert Thompson at the committee.

A copy of the report, along with a version of the StQW Plan with all modifications now included, can be seen via links on the home page of www.stqw.org. This 'referendum version' of the Plan is the one on which residents in the StQW area will be entitled to vote. A referendum date of February 18th has been proposed by RBKC.

We move a further step forward to the adoption of the policies that local people want to see, on conservation, shopping parades, and Latimer Road, and towards the designation of all three St Quintin backlands as Local Green Space.

Update from our last open meeting

Fifty one residents and businesses (including ward councillors Robert Thompson, Pat Healy and Judith Blakeman) came along to the Forum's AGM last week - a good turnout for a November evening.

The meeting re-elected the existing management committee members of the Forum and of the St Helens Residents Association.

We discussed the idea of a subscription-based private security service, as suggested by a couple living in Highlever Road (see at www.stquintinsecurity.com). The viability of such a project will depend on the level of interest from potential subscribers.

The view of the meeting was that we are not a high crime area and that most residents find that they can enlist help from neighbours to act as keyholders and to keep an eye on their home while they are away. It was also felt that the presence of a private security patrol in the area could have a downside as well as offering greater security.

There will be a further chance to discuss the proposal with its sponsors, once more is known on levels of interest and of possible subscription costs.



Also shown at the meeting were the latest proposals for Old Oak.

The Mayor of London has recently adopted a new Planning Framework for the Old Oak and Park Royal area.

This image comes from the document which can be seen in full on the OPDC website.

Local residents groups Including FOWWS are discussing the idea of a neighbourhood plan for Old Oak. Contact info@stqw.org if you are interested in knowing more.