

**ST QUINTIN AND WOODLANDS NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM  
MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OCTOBER 8TH 2014**

Present, Henry Peterson (Chair), Richard Ehrman, Andrew Michaud, Nigel Whitbread, Steve Divall, Tania Martin, Cassie Goldman, David Marshall, Andrew Hanson, William Cooper, Jenny Harborne, Fiona Withey.

**1. Minutes of meeting held on 9th September 2014**

1.1 Agreed.

**2. Feedback from meeting with RBKC on Draft Plan/phone call with RBKC**

2.1 HP reported back on meeting with Jon Wade and Jo Hammond earlier in the day. RBKC continuing to resist proposals in the StQW Plan in relation to Latimer Road, and on conservation policies. Acknowledgement that the latter were non-strategic and could be varied by the Plan, but still concern on issues of detail.

2.2. The Council had finally provided a written paper on the Draft Plan, along with a 'policy matrix' setting out RBKC policies as compared with StQW proposals. The covering paper asserted that NPs are subject to a 'basic condition' that Examiners must pay 'special regard' to conservation issues. HP had pointed out that this was incorrect, this condition applies only to NDOs.

2.3 Discussed and agreed draft text of a letter to go from the Forum to EBKC (JW). Agreed on a vote that this should be copied separately to Cllr Coleridge as Cabinet member. RBKC mode of response to the draft had now taken up 2 months of valuable time and was holding up timetable for the final stages of the Plan.

**3. Conservation proposals in the Draft Plan**

3.1. Agreed that the Plan should continue to make the case for updating and consolidating the Article 4 Directions applying in the StQW area.

3.2. Agreed, on a vote, to drop the proposed StQW conservation policies on garden outbuildings and front boundary walls. In both cases, works can be undertaken under permitted development rights, within specified limits. StQW plan will draw attention to this and raise awareness that any works beyond PD rights will require planning permission.

**4. Statement of Basic Conditions**

4.1. The draft of this document, which will need to accompany the StQW Plan when submitted to the Council, had been circulated. The document sets out how the Plan meets the various statutory requirements in the Localism Act, and expands on the case for proposed policies on Latimer Road meeting the 'general conformity test'.

**5. Healthcheck of Draft Plan**

5.1 HP advised that as agreed a request had been made to NPIERS for nomination of an alternative adviser/consultant to carry out this assignment. Christopher Lockhart-Mummery QC had agreed to take on the task, and this was welcomed by the committee.

5.2. His time estimate was 3-5 days at the NPIERS rate of £375 per day, and there were funds within the StQW grant from Locality to meet these costs.

## **6. Mayoral/TfL consultation on proposed Cycle Superhighway**

6.1. The committee looked at the proposals for the East/West Superhighway, including the proposed section along Westway. Views were evenly divided over whether the proposals would be viable, or whether cyclists would continue to prefer to use back-routes through North Kensington.

6.2 No STQW response to be made to the consultation (although individuals can respond as they wish).

## **7. Latimer Road underpass - consultation on planning application**

7.1. Agreed that StQW response should highlight the need for CCTV coverage to extend beyond the underpass itself to cover southern end of Latimer Road. Also to point out that no section drawing was available, so gradients (and speed of cyclists) could not be assessed. JH suggested use of 'light-pipes' as extra illumination. HP to finalise response to RBKC with these points, plus potential parking issues.

## **8. TfL consultation on Overground connection at Old Oak**

8.1. TfL were consulting on 3 options, of which Option C involved an additional WLL station at Hythe Road. Walking distance from northern part of StQW area would be 12-15 minutes. FOWWS supporting this option, as it protects northern border of Wormwood Scrubs. Also cheaper than Option A (the 'Boris Viaduct').

8.2 Agreed that Option C also strengthened the case for a station at 'Western Circus' and should be supported within the StQW Plan and in a response to TfL.

## **9. Westway Advertising Tower**

9.1. HP had attended meeting with Westway Trust and JCDecaux. Decaux proposing to modify the existing tower and install a steel/aluminium cowl to block out illumination affecting properties affecting Oxford Gardens CA. Tower would also face only east and west, towards traffic on Westway.

9.2 These changes had been discussed with RBKC planners and were expected to lead to approval for advertising consent for a further 10 year period. HP had asked Westway for a copy of their statement of community benefit. No date yet fixed for when the application for consent would be considered by RBKC.

## **10. BBC documentary on basements**

10.1 Agree that details and contact point could go in next newsletters, for residents to contact Tiger Production direct if interested in taking part.

## **11. Date for StQW/SHRA AGM**

**11.1 Church hall booked for Thursday 20th November.**