

ST QUINTIN AND WOODLANDS NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM AND ST HELENS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION^[L]_[SEP] NOTES OF OPEN MEETING HELD ON JUNE 5th 2019 AT ST HELEN'S CHURCH HALL

1. Proposed Wood Lane to Holland Park Cycle Lanes

As part of the Mayor's Transport Strategy a cycle lane has been proposed between Wood Lane and Notting Hill Gate via Shepherd's Bush Green and Holland Park Avenue. The proposal is being promoted as Healthy Streets rather than Transport Strategy. The funding is quoted at £43M. Consultation period has been extended to Sunday 16th June.

There is a Public meeting 13th June 6.30pm at the Kensington Town Hall. TFL staff will be there from 5.30pm to provide information and receive feedback as part of the consultation

Points noted:

- In principal cycling is the future – more than 670,00 cycle trips are made a day in London, an increase of over 130% since 2000 making cycling the major mode of transport in ^[L]_[SEP]London ^[L]_[SEP]
- Cycle lanes in Paris, which at first were resisted, have been successful. ^[L]_[SEP]
- Pinch points need to be addressed ^[L]_[SEP]
- Air quality has not been examined and could get worse due to stationary traffic caused through losing car lanes. ^[L]_[SEP]
- Blind people will have problems crossing the cycle lanes from bus stops ^[L]_[SEP]
- No left turn onto Holland Park Avenue at Royal Crescent is a big concern. ^[L]_[SEP]
- The loss of trees in Holland Park is strongly opposed. ^[L]_[SEP]
- Recognition that there is a modal shift amongst the young from car owning to cycling.
- It was suggested that the proposed 20mile an hour limit will lessen the need for a cycle lane on ^[L]_[SEP]Holland Park Avenue.

Various alternatives discussed: [L] [SEP]

- Westway Circus with new tube station and cycle route under the Westway
- Better north south route via Bramley road, Royal Crescent, Addison Road. [L] [SEP]
- Cycle route up Holland Park in morning / down in morning [L] [SEP]
- Extend the Cycle Route from Westminster into RBKC – Quiet Route
- Mitre Way could be an option [L] [SEP]

Action: [L] [SEP]

Henry Peterson to respond on behalf of St Helen RA supporting cycling but not this proposal and include our proposal and recognizing the modal shift to cycling and will suggest alternative routes.

2. Linford Christie Stadium

Friends of Wormwood Scrubs have been circulating leaflets locally and in the wider area, to raise awareness and encourage people to vote for Option 2.

Consultation ends 12th June 2019

Points Raised:

- Friends of Wormwood Scrubs would like the development to be smaller and preferably a not-for-profit entity if that can be achieved.
- Hammersmith Council are keen on the proposed 45,000 seater stadium, however QPR feel that this is too large for them and would be happy with 30,000.
- To be commercially viable, whether QPR or not QPR, a 45,000 seat stadium would need to hold 2 events per week. [L] [SEP]
- Concerns over the number of people who can use East Acton station, which is a very small station, approx. 2,000 have been predicted and the impact of 30,000 people coming from White City and crossing the scrubs twice a week.

This will potentially cause damage to the most sensitive part of Wormwood Scrubs

- [L] [SEP]
- No Transport impact Study has been carried out and no one has explained how 30,000-45,000 get there and get away.
- Hospital will not respond publically, but has concerns about road closures (Ducane Road) and their own development desires on neighbouring land.
- Need to review a similar stadium build to model the transport impact such as Spurs, Olympic, Craven Cottage (Josh, Kelfield). [L] [SEP]
- Noise pollution - will the stadium have a roof? [L] [SEP]
- Litter to surrounding area especially Wormwood Scrubs and Little Wormwood Scrubs is large concern (Sue).
- The existing provision is very run down and the toilet has environmental issues too (Legionnaires Disease).
- All agreed that the provisions of toilets, cafe and facilities for walkers and dog walkers would be welcome. [L] [SEP]
- The Friends of Wormwood Scrubs agreed (with Joshua) that Option 2 could be done with relatively modest sum (£500m), and that the litter can be managed better as could the use of the pitches.
- Rannveig (Kelfield) explained the issue about the safety of the wall and who owns it and who will pay for its' removal. (The wall was used in the 14/18 war as a firing range, so is full of lead and removal is an issue).
- This is Metropolitan Open Lane (MOL) and development should be ancillary to the function of the open land – Linford Christie supports the sporting use of Wormwood Scrubs - the planning authority has a conflict of interest and the proposal goes against National and Local Planning Policy (Joshua). The Council is strongly in favour of Option 3.

- QPR supporters who have been encouraged to support the scheme increasingly live outside of the area, so might not be so concerned about the impacts on local residents.
- HP to liaise with Westway Trust

Action: ^[L]_[SEP]

All agreed that St Helen's RA should support second option and ask for considerations to be given to transport, environment (noise, litter etc) surveys. Individuals should reply to consultation too. ^[L]_[SEP]

3. Cargiant update ^[L]_[SEP]

The meeting was updated Cargiant site and the Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation (OPDC). Planning Inspector has been looking at the Draft Local Plan, as this is legal issue about how you do a Local Plan and whether reasonable alternatives have been looked at. Car Giant have called a halt to their proposals for 'Old Oak Park' as OPDC has set constraints that makes the project unviable and that no developer will take on.

Points noted:

- The Overground at Hythe Road is not funded by TfL and fading from viability and it is possible that the HS2 station will disappear too. ^[L]_[SEP]
- Legal issue as to how you do a Local Plan – 25k new homes is in the London Plan, OPDC say we have to follow this, regardless of consequences. There is nothing in the plan that states the building heights
- OPDC Proposed Density of 600 housing units per hectare, which is of HK/Shanghai levels – London Plan max used to be approx. 400 housing units per hectare. 600 units can be achieved on individual sites, such as the Isle of Dogs, but average spread over a larger site it is usually 300-400 units.
- For anything to happen on Scrubs Lane developers will need to be confident that there will be infrastructure/public transport. There is potential £250M housing infrastructure funding but this will not be enough, more central funding will need to be available.

- There was acknowledgement that something needs to happen on the site in the long term, but it would be seem reasonable to wait till the station will ever get built.
- Meeting on July 18th 2019 to look at the viability

Action: L
SEP

Old Oak Forum is siding is with Cargiant in that the plan needs fundamental rethink – Henry Peterson is representing Old Oak Forum and will support Cargiant on behalf of St Helen’s RA as well, stating that OPDC are trying to put too many houses on an increasingly restricted site.

July 18th looking at the overall viability

4. Street TreesL SEP

Ruth (Wallingford) has noticed that there are locations where trees haven’t been replaced, which seems to have got worse over the last couple of years. Please send details of missing or expiring trees to Henry Peterson so that a list can be compiled and RBKC can be asked what the strategy is for maintaining and replacing the trees. There was acknowledgement that large trees can seen as undermining properties which is a constant battle. There were queries on lack of tree homogeneity it was suggested that we make contributions on species.

5. RBKC development on the corner of Barlby Road/ Ladbroke Grove

A smaller scheme near Ladbroke Grove has been agreed, and houses on Ladbroke Grove will remain. However concerns were voiced about traffic implications development housing scheme on site of school.

6. RBKC Clean up

North Pole Road, upto the bridge, St Marks Road presented by Portia, residents to litter pick 19th June. Attendees bewildered about the purpose of clearing litter when we have street cleaners. There was a call for Graffiti to be removed.

7. Proposal for a Cycle standL SEP

Not enough cycle stands in the area, however, the proposed location on triangle

at North Pole St Quintin's is not supported as it takes away the seating area. Suggested location to be closer to Tesco, or on the crossing triangle.

Any other business:

8. Little Scrubs

Sue (Balliol) advised that there is an increased risk of fires caused by BBQs, which are illegal. Please contact parks police in Holland Park if you see any BBQs and they will come to put out the fires.

9. Idle Engines

There is a problem of vans idling in the neighbourhood. Sue (Balliol) suggests we approach van drivers asking them to switch off engines.

Idling is illegal.

Meeting ended at 9:15pm