

Minutes of HHF Committee Meeting 15th September 2020 8pm Via Zoom

Attendance

Present: George Hornby, Harry Winter, Robert Holden, Beth Taylor John Frankland, Garrett Mears, Jasia Warren.

Apologies: Mike Colvin, Nick Paul, David Taylor

Check all participants successfully dialled

Everyone joined the meeting successfully but John Frankland explained later in an email that he had had technical problems during the meeting.

Conflict of Interest declaration

Initially the meeting was not quorate and so no known conflicts of interest were noted or declared.

Approval of July Minutes

The Minutes from July were not approved as the meeting was not quorate at the start.

Norwood Rd Park exit

Robert explains that the Norwood Rd exit from Brockwell Park is dangerous as it has no barrier and opens directly onto the road. Ruskin Park has 2 barriers inside the park to slow people down and is effective. Cllr Cowell has looked into it but traffic engineers say there's nothing they can do. ACTION: Robert to contact Ann Kingsbury to ask if Parks can help with the lack of barrier, he will report back to Committee and ask for support if needed.

LTN feedback and social media

Harry says the Railton LTN (Low Traffic Neighbourhood) has been well received, according to @RailtonLTN twitter account. The Forum has a new member who will be tweeting about LTNs on the Forum account. Robert notes that Wandsworth Council are removing all LTNs due to opposition. Southwark are putting timed-restrictions, enforced by cameras, on various roads around Dulwich including Turney and Burbage. These will hopefully go some way to connecting Southwark and Lambeth safe cycle route networks. Harry is asking a designer for suggestions about redesigning the junction. He will get some quotes. The cycle lane on Rosendale Rd will be 2m wide to accommodate 2-way traffic. A cycle lane will be installed on the park side of Norwood Rd.

ACTION: Harry to contact Lambeth to welcome the new cycle lane and ask about the other direction

Herne Hill Junction, bridge works and traffic reduction plans

Only George received a letter about the renovation of the railway bridge. Works will continue into 2021 and George has asked that they paint the bridge a nice colour and respect the murals.

ACTION: George to scan the letter and send to the Committee.

Computers for Schools going forwards

Jasia explained that the scheme had been very successful and the school had taken delivery of one crate of laptops already, with another one due to be delivered soon. There are more still to be wiped and Restore technology have quoted £22.50+VAT per computer going forwards. Committee felt this was a good use of funds. Jasia had spoken to Charter about expanding the scheme to other schools but Charter are still in need so have asked that we continue with them. Committee agree.

ACTION: Jasia to ask Restore if the charge applies to unusable laptops, report back to Committee

Station Hall & possible use under COVID

New "rule of 6" means Station hall can be opened in a limited way. Pilates class keen to restart and Hayley looking at feasibility of enabling an AA group to use the space. CIO application is going in this week. Lucy has offered to be a Trustee and a discussion held around how this affects her ability to be renumerated for any professional work. Robert thinks she is more valuable as a contractor than a Trustee. Beth thinks as long as there's a clear declaration of interest for any conflict and it's in everyone's interest that she is a Trustee then carrying out some paid work should be acceptable.

Minor Grants application form and first applicant

Jasia has turned Robert's grant form into a google form and it is online waiting comments from the Committee: https://www.hernehillforum.org.uk/about/small-grants-application/. The process would be that Jasia receives the applications and then presents them to the Committee for approval. George feels that £1500 is a lot of money and proposes to offer grants of £500 with the option of releasing another tranche if needed, up to a maximum of £1500. Committee agrees.

ACTION: Jasia to send out the grant form to Committee

A local photographer is interested in applying for a photographic exhibition of shop and market traders in the tunnel. Beth remembers that Tricia did a similar project but all agree it doesn't invalidate this one. ACTION: Jasia to ask the photographer to fill in the grant form so we can decide at October meeting ACTION: Jasia to add a button for people to upload "additional documents"

Accounts transfer & Lambeth Forum Network monitoring

Jonathan has been ill so unable to finalise the information for the LFN. Ruth has not handed over control of the bank account to him yet.

ACTION: Jasia to call jonathan for a catch up

ACTION: Jasia and George to send off the LFN information by the end of September

Lido steering group representative

All agree Giles to continue to be the Forum representative at the lido steering group.

Market & Community Tent under COVID

The market has not been re-tendered since 2013 / 2014. Committee agree it should be retendered as good practise. Committee also agree there should be no Community Tent yet due to the pandemic. George explains this will impact Forum finances as CCFM pay an annual community charge, which has been waived since March. Committee agree we should reinstate this fee in some format ACTION: George to contact CCFM to negotiate either receiving 50% of fee or an amount proportional to number of stalls, whichever is highest.

Halloween under COVID

Committee agree that we should not have the usual Halloween celebration due to the pandemic. ACTION: Jasia to contact Lucy Sparkles to see if she can do an online Halloween bop for kids

AOB

Jasia still needs to find someone to carry out maintenance on the trains outside the station. They are full or rubbish bags somehow. George suggests a budget of £250 is made available for Jasia to carry out maintenance tasks in Station Square. All agree.

Robert has been in touch with Cllr Newens about the overflowing bins on Norwood Rd.

ACTION: Robert to send Jasia the correspondence so far

ACTION: Jasia to email Cllr Newens to ask for more bins on Norwood Rd

Discussion about how FINCOM was dissolved at May's Committee meeting and a request that Robert cease sharing information with former members and cease saying they are still a working group. A reminder that half of FINCOM resigned. George reiterates that the Forum needs financial probity and transparency.

Next meeting: Tues 20th October 8pm