

Minutes of the Marylebone Forum Committee Meeting- 19th September 2019

Held at Howard de Walden Estate Offices, 27 Baker Street, W1

Present:

Yael Saunders (chair) (YS), Tim Carnegie (TC), Michael Bolt (MB), Sheila D'Souza (SD), Rev Stephen Evans (SE), Andrea Merrington (AM), Ian Macpherson (IM), Leonora Schofield (LS), Barbara Arzymanow (BA) (Ward Councillor for Bryanston and Dorset Square), Penny Alexander(PA), Rosa Han (RH), Kay Buxton (KB), Sarah Buttleman (SB), Dan Johnson (DJ) Ann- Marie Johnson (AMJ)

Apologies

Councillor Pancho Lewis

Councillor Jonathan Glanz

Richard Lovell

Kevin Coyne

Simon Loomes

Ward Councillors invited, no other responses

1. Welcome, Introduction, apologies and Thanks

No- introductions and apologies from those mentioned above.

YS- thanks to Howard de Walden Estate for the meeting.

2. Minutes of 11 July 2019

MB- query change on any other business: '... would like to join as a resident - and he would attend next Committee'

MB- met resident (Alan Bristow) but it was decided that he wouldn't come along to next meeting, but MB would present information about resident and interest to next Forum committee meeting.

YS- currently have 8 resident members and 8 business members

YS- we should not increase on the resident side only and not business side of membership

YS- agreed that we will need to have an increase of both sides- agreed by all.

YS- Constitution on website (re: question from Kay)

YS- Directors of limited company does it need to be half and half?

MB- no it does not

3. Short Update on CIL, City Plan Response

YS- application was submitted however CIL deadline for applications has now been extended

KB- confirmed application deadline extended to mid-September

KB- Cabinet CIL committee date 9th October

SE- Following conversations with the CIL Officer the application for St Marylebone Church had been re-shaped to remove the works to the roof and include works to toilet and access to the toilet. (Discussion was had regarding the CIL application process)

SE- question around CIL bid as church application was re-framed through meeting with WCC, thus may not reflect what general public want.

MB- if we can show engagement with general public then we can prove that application has come from community and reflects what the community wants
KB- if you get refused, can one re-apply? All agree yes

CITY PLAN Response

YS- Forum response has been submitted

YS- Met with all Neighbourhood Forums- air quality high on everyone's agenda

SD- Trains still an air quality issue as well- Community would like a stronger commitment from Dept of Transport on this issue.

SE- within the Mary's (current drafted Marylebone Forum Plan Policies) there is no policy on air quality, and should this be re-introduced.

4. Ltd Co: Person of Significant Control

YS- there needs to be a person of significant control- new account advises that there needs to be

KB- can be more than one person?

SB- has received form and has been advised on how to drop person of significant control

SB- will look at form again and YS will send to account.

SB- will send everything

YS- if we need to have signatories (MB, YS, IM)

IM- we need to make sure we get on with this

5. Neighbourhood Plan: Review existing draft policies

YS- went through each Mary

MARY1- Should this policy remain?

SB- consented scheme has this expired?

SE- scheme is has now changed from when policy was drafted, SB- is this a City Council development with social housing included?

SE- very contentious site, need to be careful on how we frame this policy

YS- intention was to save amenity of open space

SE- policy can be rephrased so that this policy protects open space in general

TC- policy could become wider, is- protection greenspace of play space for children, teenagers (i.e. Cavendish Square)

AM- Future policy could cover existing green spaces, however any new policy must be in line with draft City Plan and Oxford Street District Place Strategy

SE- Can we highlight under provision of the policy that more green spaces are created and/or retained within the east part of the Forum area and that the care and maintenance of existing and new spaces is included.

AM- Policy needs to be re-drafted

SE- but not generally still needs to be effective

YS- who will look at re-drafting this policy?

MB- the idea was to create one of two Marylebone Forum Policies (or a minimal amount of policies) to get the additional funding available

SD- need to follow to the top items that came up from consultation to create future policies

SE- Propose Mary 1 falls away and we create one new policy on greening

AM- review current City Plan and move forward with one policy on greening- AM to action

TC- Councillor Beddoes's focus for the new City Plan and future policy wording may include more of a focus on Climate change emergency.

YS- we are aware of the petition regarding the Luxborough Street development and the local community wishes to not to lose playground.

Mary 2- delete

Mary 3- Design and Roof Extensions and Green roofs- this policy needs to be deleted or at least revised to suit the whole committee's wishes

All agreed that Green roofs can go into future green policy

SE-overall views and protection of views and building height needs to be protected

AM- Stated that when drafting forum policies, the focus should be WCC the pro-growth agenda as set out by the City Plan and we must be seen to be supporting this when drafting future policies.

All agreed that a policy should be created which creates protected views

Mary 4- Delete

Mary 5- Basement- re-draft

Meeting discussion on Forum policies paused and will continue at next meeting.

6. **Next Meeting-** agree next steps on remaining policies and how these will be drafted and whether to include a planning consultant to assist going forward.

AM- to share notes on Cavendish Sq. meeting with committee.

TC- Reported comments from Jonathan Glanz regarding Cavendish Square- development should include public toilets.

7. **AOB**

YS- website- needs updating, lacks content. Admin support should be paid for to help update website

MB- application needs to be made re-apply for forum (next September)

SE- is there enough representation from Edgeware Road on the forum committee?

IM- Confirmation- £1800.00 total funds available

DJ- how much income has the committee received to date and how much are we intending to receive?

YS- no other funds in the pipeline but Chair hoping that the businesses will contribute further once plan is drafted.

Next meeting- Streathers 31st October 2019