

## **Minutes of the Marylebone Forum Committee Meeting- 29th January 2019**

### **Held at Streathers, 44 Baker Street, W1**

#### **Present:**

Yael Saunders (chair) (YS), Tim Carnegie (TC), Michael Bolt (MB), Sarah Buttleman (SB), Simon Loomes (SL), Sheila D'Souza (SD), Stephen Evans (SE), Richard Lovell (RL), Kay Buxton (KB), Andrea Merrington (AM), and Kevin Coyne (KC).

#### **Apologies**

Penny Alexander  
Ian Macpherson  
Dan Johnson  
Ann Marie Johnson  
Leonora Schofield- British Land

#### **Resignation**

Michael Meadows- British Land to be replaced by Leonora Schofield

#### **1. Introduction**

Minutes approved from December meeting- all agreed  
Thank you to Sarah Buttleman and Streather's for hosting.

#### **2. Details of Meeting**

YS- Forum did respond to City Plan and to Oxford Street in time.  
YS- NWECC have contributed £2500 to MBone Forum.  
YS- We have online banking, AM do I need to be a signatory? - All agreed – no.  
Kevin, Michael, and Yael will continue to be signatory on paper and Yael signatory only online  
KB- offered to be another signatory- all approved  
KB- Edgware Rd- taxi lobby- 60% support for crossing, there should be some changes, but it will go forward to Mayor and proposals should be with KB by the end of the week.  
Safer junction- 2 on Edgware (George St and under the flyover) – designs being looked at this for this and will be out for consultation in the near future. KB will continue to update the forum in due course.

#### **Oxford Circus:**

YS, TC and MB met with The Crown Estate to discuss plans to pedestrianise part of the Oxford Street junctions with hopes that it will improve traffic flows and congestion. Very much in line with Oxford Street proposals.  
MB- they have had separate meetings with Fitzrovia and Soho  
YS- Crown Estate have said that they will pay for the pedestrianisation works  
MB- Crown have been told by WCC to go ahead and consult  
SL- not seen the plans but knows that it is being directed by WCC and both schemes being done by Publica  
SL- Does the forum need more information, YS to invite them to a future meeting  
It is assumed that NWECC will support.  
SL- we need to understand the traffic forecasting and traffic displacement

## **CIL Survey**

YS- has everyone filled it in- yes

YS- deadline is the 6<sup>th</sup> Feb

SB- Can YS send out a link to everyone

SD- MBone Association- will it be on newsletter- TC yes

YS- St Vincent's and St Marylebone parents will be pushed again

KB- will do some social posts

KB- pie charts not the easiest to read

TC- Greening taking top choice

YS- Stated that Councillor Scarborough may request Forum support for Neighbourhood CIL funding for maintenance for LEN, advised that this will meet CIL criteria. All agreed that funds should be taken from Ward Councillor CIL funds, rather than Neighbourhood CIL.

YS- Seymour Leisure Centre-

SB- The Council itself should be paying for Library rather using CIL funds (3 million within Council CIL funds has been allocated for these projects) and 2 million within WCC's own budget for something like Seymour Leisure Centre

SE- CIL money should be used for Parish church as without funding it could close- community facility that is not Council funded therefore is a good candidate for Forum CIL money

TC- CIL discussion should be taken further once the consultation closed

KB- Could the comments be put into headings, so it is easier to understand

AM- at the point of discussion it would be worthwhile to understand how all other groups are allocating projects (LEN, WWE, etc.) so funds are best allocated

SL- The process for allocating CIL is changing (info received as an updated from CIL Officer) and more power to be given to Ward Councillors

SE- Ward Councillor involvement could become more important

KC- Ward Councillors were initially invited to Forum meetings but never attended- we stopped inviting them as the Forum was unsure which direction it was going

MB- They decided that they would take a step back and see how things would played out

SD- The meeting dates should be sent to them, so they can choose to attend.

YS- let's finish CIL Consultation and then decide how to proceed with Councillors

SL- we should have a strong view on how the 85% and then additional 15% is spent and allocated

SL- Can CIL be spent on the Church as it is considered private land? - Yes, as it is a community facility

## **City Plan**

SL and AM- wait till consultation is complete and then find direction and position MBone Forum can take

KB- evidence base will come out as well (set of Health Checks)- KB will update on date when announced

TC- Re- read our policies and respond based on these

MB- Policies within Forum Plan should be less strategic and more local

KB- Was a grid done to review our policies against emerging plans? No

TC- Going forward we need to draft how our policies to sit against emerging plan, TC to undertake grid.

## **AGM Date:**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May- 7pm

St. Marylebone Church

All nominations remain the same with the addition of new British Land

**Next meeting: 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 8:30am**