

Marylebone Forum CIL Sub-Committee, Meeting Notes

2.30pm, 18 March 2021, on Teams

Present: Yael Saunders, Sheila De Souza, Ian Macpherson, Andrea Merrington, Guy Austin, Alan Bristow, Rosa Han

St Marylebone CE High School submitted a CIL application (science labs), received and circulated on 16 March 2021. St Marylebone parish church submitted an application (slate roof tiles) on 17 March 2021.

The group met to discuss (ahead of Westminster Council CIL meeting in April).

YS: outlined the Neighbourhood CIL process, role of the Forum and the purpose of the meeting of the group: to consider the applications against the Forum's 2019 CIL community consultation and wider community support, and decide whether or not the Forum should support. Qs from AB and GA.

CIL applications to date: only received for projects with direct connection to Forum committee members. We need to reach out further. Forum website currently being updated. Plan to launch quarterly newsletter & publicity drive, tied in with adoption of new WCC City Plan (April/May). Spread the word about CIL process and funding.

St Marylebone CE School application: discussion about other funding sources? Yes, included on application). Q about proceeding without securing full funding? Staged approach (per lab) noted on application. Evidence of good community support and is in line with Forum's CIL criteria. It was agreed that supporting science teaching at a state school for girls is a good use of CIL funding and this application should be supported.

St Marylebone parish church: third application for £100,000, as part of a £10m project. WCC guidance is that applications should be for identifiable section of larger project. The Church is a significant local community asset and the building houses key community services including healthcare. It was agreed that this project is worthy of continued support and this application should be supported by the Forum.

Seymour Leisure Centre and Marylebone Library: update from SDS from stakeholder meeting on 15/3, WCC have confirmed funding and support, anticipated submission to planning in the autumn. Welcomed by the group. Discussion about potential neighbourhood CIL contribution, as above, to a specific part of the much bigger project to improve the overall outcome.

AOB: SDS saw a small pocket 'green corner' on New Cavendish St. Appealing, can we propose? Suggestion to develop an illustration (AM and RH can help), then invite nominations for suitable corners of public space or pavements. Mindful that funding for maintenance must be secured from elsewhere. AM keen to support Forum being proactive on this.

Meeting closed.

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