

Notes from Hyde Park Interim Forum Meeting, Thursday 16th Nov 2015, 7pm, Cardigan Centre

1. Attendance Present: Rev Heston Groenewald, Marian Charlton, Anup Sharma (LCC), Sue Buckle, Dawn Carey Jones, Dmitrijs Oginskis, Leigh Greenwood, Juliet Radmall, Howard Eaglestone, Amanda Jackson, Andy Sloss, Adil Asif, Ying Ho, Sheraz, Hussain. **Apologies:** Wendy Cook, Rob Baker, Ian Mackay (LCC), Cllr Walshaw, Simon Hall, Cath Nelson, Cath Adams, Sheila Davenport, Bill McKinnon, Mark Stanton, Pravin Dayalji, Nathan Clark, Pav Akhtar, Shafique Sheikh, Mary Osborne

2. Minutes and Matters Arising

Deferred until next meeting.

3. Website / Social Media Update

Andy will carry out more updates to the web site. Social media report deferred til next meeting. Dawn to remind people by email of the facebook address and web address.

4. Hyde Park Picture House

Julia from DCA consultants talked about plans the HPPH has for improving access and asked us what we thought. Anup suggested we have something very specific in terms of policy in plan for HPPH and also suggested Julia contact Rachel Smalley, Access Officer at LCC. Julia also spoke about various proposals for expanding what can go on at the HPPH, by utilising the cellar space / some of the outdoor space to provide for example another screening area, café/bar area, community area, place where people can queue out of the rain. Everyone agreed that the HPPH is crucial to the culture of our Area and that we want to support the HPPH. Julia had no proposals about the outside of the cinema but promised to come back to us with them when she did.

5. Consultation Update

Ying and Adil held a consultation event at Makkah Masjid on 27th October which was attended by 19 people and very well received. People would have been there till late at night if Adil and Ying hadn't brought it to a close. Issues raised were by and large those raised by other groups: not enough outdoor sports space, community facilities, primary school places; need for improved bus services; desire to retain local shops; positivity towards students because they contribute to the area, but a desire for noise to be reduced, especially late at night.

6. Clean Up Day 19th Nov Prep

Dawn and Heston to ask Cllrs Walshaw and Pryor if they're able to be there on 19th. We will be putting bins back in yards along with volunteers from Leeds Beckett Uni and putting "We love Hyde Park, Please put bins back into yards or gardens" removable vinyl stickers on them. Thanks to Heston for the amazing design.

7. AGM 28th Nov Prep

The AGM will be an opportunity for groups to talk about policies, for example the culture and arts group have the policy intent of wanting to attract more artists to the area. In response to policy intents we suggest at the AGM people can say they're good or bad, or make any comments they like about them. Each of our 4 sub-groups to host one table, with everyone at the AGM able to go to two out of the four tables to input. We will also be formally appointing the committee and having an "I love Hyde Park" item and have asked people to bring along their favourite Hyde Park thing / photo / memory. The AGM will be at All Hallows Church, 28th Nov, 10am til 1pm. Ian Mackay has asked us to remember that the Neighbourhood Plan is a planning document. People took AGM flyers to distribute.

8. Policy Group Reports

a) Open / Green Space Group: The Green / Open space group had

been focusing on getting the Forum's Site Allocation Response submitted, in conjunction with other groups including Cardigan Centre, Left Bank, Milfords, Hyde Park Olympic Legacy, South Headingley Community Association, Friends of Woodhouse Moor and others. We suggested: Hyde Park Corner Local Centre should be extended to include the former post office and sorting office as well as Red Door Lets and Best Kept Secret; Cardigan Rd Local Centre should exclude Left Bank, Cardigan Centre and Milford - Milford down to the former glassworks ought to be an Employment site; Royal Parks Local Centre ought to be called Brudenell Local Centre; the site of the now demolished Royal Park School building, Cinder Moor (formerly a cricket pitch), the lower part of Monument Moor (formerly outdoor gym), the Chestnut Ave playing field site all ought to be designated Outdoor Sports; the greenspace next to the former sorting office ought to be designated Amenity Greenspace.

b) Arts and Culture Group: Report deferred until next meeting but may look into applying for a grant to set up database of artists past and present in our Area.

c) Clean-Up Hyde Park: Covered under Item 6.

d) Housing Group: Not met since last meeting but wants to carry out an audit of empty properties in our Area. Anup suggested we ask LCC for a list of empty properties.

9. Site Allocation Plan Update

Covered under Item 8a

10. Chestnut Ave Potential Development

Cllr Walshaw had emailed Heston and Dawn to say that he was drafting an objection from Headingley and Hyde Park Cllrs when he decided to check with Planning Officers for any last minute changes in application details and he was pleased to inform us that the application is to be recommended for refusal by Officers under delegated powers. Dawn suggested people still carry on objecting up til the new 2nd December deadline as nothing was set in stone yet and we had seen Officers change their mind in the past. The meeting agreed. The Forum had already submitted and circulated its objection.

10. Any Other Business

The Kirkstall Neighbourhood Area has been designated. Anup asked if the Hyde Park Forum would be happy to join with other groups to have Inner North West neighbourhood planning meetings. We asked for more detail before we make a decision. The Headingley Neighbourhood Forum has a draft of their plan out for consultation until the end of November. The Forum will be making a response. The meeting agreed for people to email in anything they'd like included in the Hyde Park Forum's response to this, and that anyone who lived near the border of the Headingley Area might also want to respond individually. Dawn met some other neighbourhood planning groups at a Leeds Beckett Neighbourhood Planning workshop on 7th November. It was very useful to make contact with other inner city groups and to hear other groups' experiences of the process. The Inner North West Community Committee has a "Wellbeing Fund" out of which it gives grants for projects people apply for that it thinks are worthwhile. Applications are being accepted until 30th Jan for their current round of funding. Dawn will circulate the application forms.

11. Dates of Next Meetings Tue 12th Jan, Wed 24th Feb, Thu 7th Apr, Mon 23rd May, Tue 5th Jul.

Things To Do

Dawn	Send out link to Headingley Plan consultation doc
Dawn	Send out Wellbeing Fund application
Anup	Provide list of empty properties in our Area
Dawn / Heston	See if Cllr Walshaw & Cllr Pryor are available on 19 th Nov Clean-Up Day
	Object to planning app 15/05863