



Waterlow Park Trust

Advisory Group meeting 13th March 2018

Present: Ben Cook (BC) (LUX), Gabi Howard (GH) (Camden LA), Ian Henghes (IH) (Highgate Neighbourhood Forum), Katherine Ives (KI) (Lauderdale House), Ceridwen Roberts (CR) FOWP, Pippa Rothenberg (PR) (Highgate Society), Sue Tatum (ST) (Chair), Catharine Wells (CW) (Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum), Eileen Willmott (EW) (Dartmouth Park Conservation Area),

Apologies: None

Issue	Action
1. Appointment of meeting secretary	CR agreed to take minutes for this meeting
2. Minutes of Last Meeting Members were reminded about communications protocol: to use the new email addresses for - TAG - members: tag@waterlowparktrust.org.uk - TAG Chair: chair@waterlowparktrust.org.uk - FOWP Chair: chair@waterlowparktrust.org.uk Emails to be distributed through the respective Chairs as appropriate.	Approved
3. Matters Arising Breakfast Meetings Strategy Camden	KI to arrange 2018 : invitations to go to RS (TAG representative) & Jan Morgan (Highgate Society) PR to coordinate and chair a group involving LH /LUX/TAG & FOWP Chairs etc. Communications protocol being agreed and disseminated to the Rangers, ground maintenance etc: To be reviewed annually

<p>4. Standing Reports: Camden & FOWP</p> <p>A Camden (GH)</p> <p>The climbing frame needs a replacement that is weather resistant and this has caused a delay in finding one.</p> <p>Camden has received £400,000 from CIL which has gone to the Neighbourhood Forum</p> <p>Query: Works are being undertaken on trees during nesting time when it had been agreed to avoid this time of year.</p> <p>B FOWP (CR)</p> <p>Arts in the Park Recent art exhibition by Central St Martin's students considered successful</p> <p>A new proposal has been put forward by well-known organisers of art exhibitions. This will be discussed with Nicky Ezer as a major event which raises many questions especially regarding security and health & safety. An ART's and Memorial Policy needs to be developed so we know what is allowable and what is not.</p> <p>BBQ's Meeting held with FOWP & TAG chairs and Camden Councillor. The following points were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) better signage needed b) larger bins placed at sensible places needed: to be removed after the w/e/holidays as unsightly c) proper, effective monitoring needed so that the actual effects are known: to be reported monthly/bi-monthly to TAG & FOWP d) zoning areas discussed. The problems of the slopes was noted. It was recognised that it is easier to manage if there is a section where barbecues are not allowed rather than specifying areas where they are. This to be discussed with Cabinet lead but as any policy such policy will require additional resources to 'police' such a proposal is unlikely to be supported. <p>TAG discussed the costs of better/extra signage and new larger rubbish bins. Could such costs be met by CIL</p>	<p>TAG & FOWP to be sent the proposal for approval before any order is placed.</p> <p>GH to follow up</p> <p>FOWP to discuss with Nicky Ezer</p> <p>To be followed up at next meeting</p> <p>to be discussed further with Camden to be discussed with Camden</p> <p>Camden to action</p> <p>GH to action and report back</p> <p>To be followed up.</p>
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<p>monies? It was, therefore, important to get an estimate of costs.</p> <p>Water Fountains The proposal for water fountains is on hold at Camden whilst they formalise their policy in the light of the Mayor's initiative.</p>	<p>FOWP to explore</p>
<p>Petanque Site A proposal had been put forward for a petanque site on current grass area below the lower tennis courts. FoWP would cover the costs. Discussion raised issues relating to the views of park users and Health & Safety issues.</p> <p>5 Standing Reports: Lauderdale House & LUX</p> <p>C Lauderdale House (KI)</p> <p>Plans are being developed to improve the front area of LH There has also been flooding in the conservatory so it will be necessary to level out the slope. Estimated costs £60 - 80,000. They may apply to CIL for funding.</p> <p>LH is also reviewing internal signage in the house</p> <p>Discussions are taking place with the Cafe regarding recycling and the introduction of china crockery.</p> <p>D LUX</p> <p>Discussion underway with Camden about installing solar panels which would be unobtrusive. Looking to use Power up North London and secure Lottery funding.</p> <p>A water fountain as a 'sculptural project' was suggested.</p> <p>LUX signage is now on the Park maps at the entrances</p> <p>Lauderdale House and LUX</p> <p>They are exploring doing Art in the Park again. No objections were raised but earlier notice and publicity is required to ensure organisations and agencies are aware and to attract visitors</p>	<p>FOWP - to consult more with the public and explore H&S issues.</p> <p>KI & Trustees to update on these developments at next TAG meeting</p> <p>Planning permission required. Awaits outcome of Camden's consideration</p> <p>Earlier notice to be given to key organisations etc</p>

6 Carbon Neutral Project:

Nothing to update.
It was suggested that this could form a discussion topic for the TAG AGM

Chair to discuss with LUX

7. Signage Group:

PR reported the following regarding the proposed new Oak Finger Signs:

- cost per sign £90
- Installation costs have yet to be discussed
- the sign will be inserted in a metal sheath to give longer life
- signs will direct to the Cafe, Cemetery, Lavatories and Playgrounds
- 3/4 signs to be placed in the areas where paths split e.g. upper Pond 'south junction'; middle pond; lower pond and near the young children's playground.
- they will have the TAG logo

Discussion considered the Park Noticeboards. It was noted that there was inconsistency across boards. . The notice regarding Barbecues should be prominent and clear.

It was also noted that the sign on the pole near the climbing frame no longer had the notice on it regarding no dogs being allowed with a fine.

All notices should be laminated .

Decision to await further information regarding costs but TAG supports this initiative.

Relevant organisations to ensure all notices go on all notice boards and that, preferably, they should be laminated

The role of the Park Rangers regarding this to be explored.

8. Strategy Group Update

Deferred

9. Trees and Views Update

IH stated that there was insufficient warning being given regarding work being carried out on the trees.

There was also concern that work was being carried out during the nesting season.

IH reported that a submission had been made by TAG to the London Plan regarding the protection of the views of St Paul's from Waterlow Park.

IH to discuss with Camden regarding better prior notification of tree works to be undertaken.

<p>10. TAG Code of Conduct</p> <p>No further action has been taken with respect to the Draft Code of Conduct that IH had distributed. It is based on the Highgate Cemetery Code.</p> <p>ST stated that there were some minor changes that she wished to suggest.</p>	<p>ST to discuss with IH.</p>
<p>11. Fundraising Group and TAG Membership</p> <p>The Chair raised this. At present, FOWP is the only group raising money for the park. KI, PR, CW & BC were all stakeholders in this given their roles. Agreed that this should be considered by the Strategy Group.</p>	<p>Funding raising to be considered by the Strategy Group</p>
<p>AOB</p>	
<p>11. Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>All TAG members are asked to complete the Doodle Polls regarding their availability for future meetings. New dates to be put on for TAG AGM Sept; TAG meeting December 2018. Additional TAG meeting before AGM required?</p> <p>Next meeting: 6th June 2018 2.0pm Venue to be advised.</p>	<p>IH to action with new dates. Please complete Doodle polls when advised.</p>