

Advisory Group meeting 6th June 2018

Present: Ben Cook (BC) (LUX), Gabi Howard (GH) (Camden LA), Katherine Ives (KI) (Lauderdale House), Fiona Murphy (FM) FOWP, Ceridwen Roberts (CR) FOWP, Pippa Rothenberg (PR) (Highgate Society), Richard Shipman (RS), Sue Tatum (ST) (Chair), Eileen Willmott (EW) (Dartmouth Park Conservation Area Committee)

Apologies: Ian Henghes (IH) (Highgate Neighbourhood Forum), Catharine Wells (CW) (Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum),

Issue	Action
1. Welcome to new member Fiona Murphy, new Chair of FOWP. Clarification regarding FOWP membership. CR to report this meeting to FOWP for the last time. ST thanked CR for setting up TAG and for her work as FOWP Chair. CR happy to help, but not to undermine TAG.	Membership to be defined accurately at the next meeting. Lauderdale House and FOWP under Camden, but rest are co-opted. Possibility of a staggered election process with an independent chair plus 3 members; the rest elected at a later date.
2. Confirmation of minuting secretary	EW agreed to do 6 th June meeting minutes
3. Approval of minutes of last meeting and matters arising not on the agenda	Minutes approved by ST

Presentation of a proposal for Art Without Walls at Waterlow Park by Lisa Slominsky and colleague

BC (Lux) introduced Lisa following the recent successful Art in the Park exhibition by Central St Martins College of Art. She would like to do an outreach project for the local community, possibly using 6 sculptures and lasting 6 months, from May until October 2019, thereby including the school holidays. There is a budget of £100K, it would not need funding by Camden. They are approaching the Arts Council and the Henry Moore Foundation.

ST asked GH for a list of people who should be contacted over the project.

CR suggested that possibly IH's father's work could be included. In principle agree to the project, but need more discussion and answers, such as concerning security. Need to contact Nicky Ezer (Camden) re: the project.

4. Standing Reports from:

Tag Chair (ST)

ST received an acknowledgement of her application for the protected view south across the Park.

Update over line painting.

Camden Council (GH)

- 1.Climbing Frame, almost like for like, expected to be installed by the school summer holidays.
- 2. Tennis courts; white line painting. Should take 4 hours.
- 3. Wall gabion installed and well received.
- 4. A new Head of Parks has been appointed; an external appointment.
- 5. Petanque court; no progress; waiting for project officer.
- 6. There is a new Camden Directorate and Trustee. Meanwhile, Jessica Gibbons can be contacted verbally, but we need written clarification as to the new Trustee.

Chair (ST) to meet with new Trustee.

FOWP (CR/FM)

Much concern over barbeques (BBQs). See section 8.

Further questions need to be answered over the proposed Art Installation.

ST No progress on water fountains.

CR FOWP happy to fundraise for water fountains, eg., Fair in the Square, plant sales, Noah's Ark concert.

Lauderdale House (KI)

There are many events planned for the summer, some of which are free. There are free art exhibitions until July 9th in the Lower Gallery, free music on the Tea Lawn on Sunday afternoons and a Jazz concert on July 1st. Noel Coward's Private Lives is to be performed on the Tea Lawn on various nights in July.

PR to report back with information.
AGM date: Monday October 15 th .
Doodle Poll needed for September meeting date
FM to contact Camden New Journal (CNJ) and the Ham and High. FM and KI volunteer to email to group of 3000 to publicise AGM

7. Signage: KI PR

KI Signage is needed for both the toilets and gallery in Lauderdale House. During the first May Bank holiday, the café toilets were overused and messed up by non-café patrons. There should be toilet signage for café and gallery patrons only.

ST There is no toilet signage at the bottom entrances to the Park.

Revised proposals for public toilet signage.

FOWP, Chair and Camden to do it themselves.

8. Barbecues

CR showed her appreciation for the improved BBQ notices. However, strong bins are needed and the disposable BBQs are still used, damaging the grass. Two members have left FOWP due to the BBQs and many no longer visit at weekends. FOWP understand the position but are hostile to the ensuing problems. They wish to approach local councillors over the BBQs.

ST one poster at Highgate Gate, but not lower down.

KI we need a map with public toilets, bins etc

FM why are BBQs allowed at Waterlow Park?

KI BBQs are not sufficiently well managed and therefore the impact on the Park.

ST difficult to restrict to certain areas. Need enforcing.

ST suggested write a letter as TAG stating that BBQs are keeping people away, grass burnt, dogs injured and LH toilets messed up.

GH 2 types of Notice; i) an orange one with OK to BBQ but follow rules ii) a more explicit one as at London Fields.

GH it was a political decision. It is her job to mitigate the bad effects of BBQs, ie., not to use the disposable ones.

Idverde and Veolia ensure that the bins are emptied late in the day to reduce foxes scavenging.

CR/PR Head Gardener; no BBQs in kitchen garden or orchard. KI none on Tea Lawn.

AOB	
Proposed dates for next meetings	
Doodle poll for September 3 rd and 5 th 2018	