



Waterlow Park Trust

Advisory Group meeting 11thth May 2022

Present: April Cameron (AC) FOWP, Ben Cook (BC) (LUX), Ian Henghes (IH) (Highgate Neighbourhood Forum) Chair, Gabi Howard (GH) (Camden LA), Fiona Murphy (FM) FOWP, Pippa Rothenberg (PR) (Highgate Society), Catharine Wells (CW) (Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum), Eileen Willmott (EW) (Dartmouth Park Conservation Area Committee) Minute taker for this meeting

Apologies: Katherine Ives (KI) (Lauderdale House)

Observer: Amy Feneck (AF) Artist in residence, working for the year on community research and outreach

Issue	Action
<p>1. Matters arising</p> <p>CW: Discussion on signage for special events. GH: balance needed. CW: difficult to police until more Park staff. IH: need one or two generic signs. IH/GH: ASB reporting at year end. CW: WPark not included in police crime/ASB report CW: Health and Social prescribing IH: Trees and Views Strategy approved by Trustee Carole Stewart. It will need a public Consultation</p> <p>Minutes of January 26th meeting approved</p>	<p>CW to link with DPNF</p> <p>IH to chair Group Discussion for improvement of future public Consultations</p>
<p>2. Tracker</p> <p>Projects: Biodiversity volunteers started to map Flora. Data will be put on the GiGL database. Fauna also will be later included. TCV already surveyed pond areas. PR: badgers on Holly Lodge Estate (HLE). Specialists for eg, invertebrates will be needed; some volunteers already are. GH: Greg Hitchcock (GH) has been writing Camden's Biodiversity Strategy IH: Wildlife corridors should be joined up, HNF, DPNF and HLE GH: There was a Management Plan written in 2010/11 but it was not implemented due to cash cuts Group Projects: AC: Volunteer plant store; some work done, but more needed. Air Quality Monitoring: 200 monitors in Camden; in the</p>	

<p>beta phase. AC: readings of 700 in BBQ smoke Upper pond dredged and pH measured. Trees and Views Group: IH: TAG approved proposal for new sight-line of St Paul's, involving first removal of branches from foreground tree and then a Lime.</p>	<p>IH: Will need public Consultation before work can be carried out.</p>
<p>3. Additional Updates from Camden/Lauderdale/FoWP/LUX Defibrillator: GH and KI had a site visit. Two locations considered at Lauderdale House, as is often open after Park shut. CW: Financing needs a formal agreement. Would FoWP be willing to fund this? FM: Drinking Water Fountains. FoWP have found two fountains at a cost of £5K. GH: drinking water supply has to come from the road. Statuary: the Shepherd and Shepherdess can only be conserved, not repaired. GH: Darrell Abercrombie (Operations Manager) asked a conservation surveyor to report, and is also applying for Capital Funding. The eagles need cleaning too. FoWP to assist with funding. Signage: CW/PR; finger posts researched, almost ready to go. Will cost a few £100.00. KI: Additional storage for Lauderdale House, away from the Heritage House. AC: Orchard Benches. Decision needs to be made as to the benches to be set on gravel or concrete plinth. Possibility of funding from the commemorative budget. FM: Reviewing greater range of sports activities, multi use games areas (MUGAs) near to council estates. CW: no need for them. FM: Netball and basketball could use the same pitch, but this could take money away from tennis. GH: good to have MUGAs on doorstep. Could have free courts on Saturday pm, but would lose tennis revenue. Possibility of a teenager after-school tennis slot or young children at weekends. CW: opposed the use of the tarmac area for sports.</p>	<p>FM to discuss fibrillator funding at next FoWP meeting</p> <p>FM to discuss with GH as to what Thames Water can do and its cost</p> <p>FM to discuss funding at next FoWP committee meeting on the 12th May</p> <p>KI to follow up any possible CIL funding with Anna Wright</p> <p>To be further discussed with KI, GH and Oliver Lewis, and TAG.</p> <p>AC to propose locations facing south to the left of the Ash tree.</p>
<p>Nature Education Area (NEA) Consultation The NEA will not be taken forward as planned. IH: process misunderstood, confusing, went wrong, must not happen again. FM: a Point of Order: CW wrote a personal letter, was not speaking on behalf of TAG.</p>	<p>PR/CW; need guidelines, must be open rather than a newspaper report. IH and CW to meet and discuss before the next TAG meeting. CW left the meeting, due to a previous commitment as did PR</p>
<p>Decision Making Process IH: How to classify 'Users of the Park'? TAG has to try to balance the needs of different users. Needs to be transparent. See TAG draft handbook 5/7/22 Section 5. Draft contains a proposal that a decision is approved if 60% approval by TAG.</p>	<p>AF: will look at how others reach their Decision Making Processes.</p>

<p>GH: go ahead with Consultations and, if not urgent, we discuss among ourselves. We need more representation on TAG eg., school governors, TCV? KI has 53 different Community Groups on her Breakfast Club meetings which could be accessed.</p>	
<p>Communications and AGM PR: AGM is at 6.30 for 7.00pm at Lauderdale House on Monday 23rd May 2022. PR offered to provide wine, water, fruit juice and nibbles. IH: two parts to the AGM 1) Community and the Trust, explain what the Trust is, Strategy and Consultation. 2) Zero Carbon Park; BC and IH to discuss first. An updated flyer to be produced including details..</p>	
<p>Strategy and Policies IH/GH/AC: eg., kitchen garden memorials, trees, benches. GH: no governing documents across the Borough. If no more new benches, replace old ones. ie., how long are benches expected to last? Need guidelines and a checklist. FM: need petanque to be on maps too GH: After Consultation on the NEA, the log seating was removed, no one knows by whom. FM: If highlights from the Tracker are to be publicly viewed, then project leader's names, and email addresses need to be removed too. IH: Not all policies need to be formalised.</p>	
<p>A.O.B. GH: Camden will give keys for Notice Boards to Friends' Groups who ask for them.</p>	