

**Minutes of AGM of Redington Frogna! Neighbourhood Forum held at 9 pm on
Monday 13th June 2016 at St Andrew's Church, Frogna! Lane, NW3**

Present:

Cllr. Siobhan Baillie	Ward Councillor
Rob Hagemans (Chair)	Finchley Road
Laurence Bard (Treasurer)	Platts Lane
Nancy Mayo (Secretary)	Hollycroft Avenue
Cedric Ang	
Jack Boardman	Briardale Gardens
Emily Brettle	Platts Lane
Brian Chadwick	Arkwright Road
Linda Chung	Langland Gardens
Penny Davis	Briardale Gardens
Hazel Finn	Bracknell Gardens
Alan Finn	Bracknell Gardens
Jonathan Gestetner	Oakhill Avenue
Bill Granger	Arkwright Mansions
Mojgan Green	Heath Drive
Eddie Hanson	Studholme Court
Michael Hibbs	Frogna!
Paul Johnson	Studholme Court
Jessica Learmond-Criqui	Redington Road
Tina Marton	Hollycroft Avenue
Sarita Mohapatra	Platts Lane
Avishai Moor	Ferncroft Avenue
Raffaella Morini	Finchley Road
Mal Parker	Frogna! Close
Lauren Pecorino	Frogna!
Val Russell	Arkwright Road
John Malet-Bates	Ferncroft Avenue
Mark Taylor	Frogna!
Harlan Zimmerman	Redington Road

1. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Maryam Alaghband, Felicia Epstein, Siobhan Ezra, John Fox, Dudley Leigh, Karen Phillips, Christine Rowley, Nicole Sochor,

2. Minutes of 4 June 2015 AGM

No corrections were noted and the minutes were adopted.

3. Chair's report

Due to the over-run of the preceding Q&A, hosted by Create Streets, on the Neighbourhood Forum initial draft Policies, this item was not presented. A summary of the report which was to be presented is included below.

Since the last AGM, the Forum had made considerable progress with preparing the neighbourhood plan and has developed a database of almost 400 members. Initiatives have included:

- the launch of a dedicated Forum website in August 2015;
 - a *Jazz and Quennell* engagement event, held at Craxton Studios in November. The event included free champagne and canapés and was judged to be a great success, having been attended by nearly 100 Forum members. Prof. Elizabeth McKellar discussed the Forum area’s many Quennell houses and attendees enjoyed listening to live jazz, courtesy of Glenwood Jazz. A number of very generous donations were received;
 - completion of the neighbourhood plan evidence base, comprising:
 - Vision and Objectives Survey – completed by nearly 180 respondents (9% response rate, on the basis of one questionnaire per household and 2,000 households);
 - AECOM *Heritage and Character Assessment*. Copies are available for purchase at £25 each ;
 - AECOM *Contribution of Trees to Townscape Character* report;
 - Arup *Underground Rivers Mapping* report – based on new research conducted jointly with Redfrog residents;
 - Ecology Network Bat Flight Path Map;
 - NO2 monitoring at selected sites, including local schools and Briardale Gardens;
 - Redfrog analysis of planning consents granted, resulting in loss of gardens and trees;
 - Redfog / GiGL Biodiversity Survey;
 - preparation of list of over 350 properties by notable architects and / or of high architectural merit for local listing.
 - Policies drafting by Create Streets. This is to be supplemented by Design Codes being developed jointly with Create Streets.

The AECOM *Heritage and Character Assessment* and Design Codes were funded by a “technical grant” received from Locality, with consultants’ other reports funded primarily by Locality “financial grants”.

A list of projects for CIL expenditure over the lifetime of the neighbourhood plan has been supplied to Camden, directly based on responses to the Vision and Objectives Survey.

The Committee continues to liaise with Camden over the format and presentation of its draft Policies, and with other Neighbourhood Forums, notably, Hampstead, Fortune Green and West Hampstead and Highgate. The Forum also offered support to residents of the Granville Road estate in NW2, seeking to preserve the green space around their homes.

Other initiatives have included attendance at the Castle public debate on air pollution, held on 26 April, and objections to various planning applications, where these conflict with the Redington Froggnal Conservation Area Statement and Guidelines. Examples of major planning applications to which the Forum has objected are the Mount Anvil planning application for the Kidderpore Avenue Site of Interest for Nature Conservation and the proposal for a 7 to 10-storey residential block at 317 Finchley Road. The proposal for 317 Finchley Road would impact on the amenity of residents of Arkwright Mansions and on views from Arkwright Road.

The Forum has also submitted a number of nominations for Assets of Community Value:

- the Grade II Site of Interest for Nature Conservation in Kidderpore Avenue. This was rejected by Camden because the site had not recently been open to public.
- Kidderpore Hall. This was also rejected because Camden did not accept Redfrog's evidence that the building had been in public use during the last five years (since 2010).
- Camden Arts Centre: this is in progress.
- West Heath Lawn Tennis Club: also in progress.

The next steps in the development of the neighbourhood plan will include submission of the draft Policies to Camden in order to obtain feedback on their robustness; incorporating residents' feedback, redrafting the Policies (many times). Create Streets have been asked to draw up the Basic Conditions Statement and, following review by Camden, will seek the opinion of a friendly Planning Inspector on the robustness of the Policies.

Once comments have been incorporated, Camden will then begin the formal six-week consultation period, during which the Forum Committee is required to undertake intensive community engagement, prior to the Referendum. This might include:

- a summer event – at West Heath Lawn Tennis Club?
- press coverage
- further leafleting, with a Policies summary
- stalls at garden fêtes and school fairs.

4. Treasurer's report

Laurence presented the abbreviated annual accounts for the Redington Froggnal Association Ltd., which receives income and incurs expenditure on behalf of the Forum.

During the year to 31 March 2016, the Association received income of £12,209 and incurred expenditure of £13,807, resulting in a deficit for the year of – £1,223. Expenditure not covered by grants was attributable to air pollution monitoring, the dedication of an oak tree to Dr. Lillian Brafman, Forum meetings, printing and publicity.

Donations and sales of the AECOM *Heritage and Character Assessment* generated receipts of £1,150.

With the Forum now having exhausted the available grants for the lifetime of the neighbourhood plan, a request was made for donations to help with publicity in the run-up to the Referendum.

5. Adoption of amended Forum Constitution

Attendees were invited to vote on the proposed updated Constitution, which had been circulated by email in advance of the AGM. The principal amendments are to section 1.1, which now refers to the Localism Act of 2011, and to section 5.6, which now restricts proxy votes to no more than two Forum members, except where they are the spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild. This is in accordance with local government procedure.

All present voted in favour of adopting the amended Constitution.

6. Writing an effective planning objection

This was deferred for a future meeting.

7. Election of officers and Executive Committee

In the absence of an alternative candidate offering himself for election, Rob Hagemans agreed to serve as Chair in the interim until a new Chair is selected at a future Forum Committee meeting. Penny Davis was nominated and seconded as Vice Chair and Laurence Bard and Nancy Mayo were re-elected, respectively, as Treasurer and Secretary.

Other existing Forum Committee members re-elected were:

Maryam Alaghband
Laurence Bard
Andrew Blair
Emily Brettle
Linda Chung
Penny Davis
Hazel Finn
John Fox
Mojgan Green
Bill Granger
Rob Hagemans
Eddie Hanson
Jessica Learmond-Criqui
Dudley Leigh
John Malet-Bates
Nancy Mayo
Raffaella Morini
Christine Rowley
Val Russell
Ralf Schoepfer.

Emily Brettle, Eddie Hanson and Harlan Zimmerman were elected as new Forum Committee members.

7. AoB

Volunteers are sought to help with graphic design, IT, leafleting and community engagement.

The Committee are particularly grateful to have received offers of support from three new Forum members, Brian Chadwick, Michael Hibbs and Avishai Moor.

It was noted that the Forum should strive to increase its database and attendance at engagement meetings through greater use of leafleting, as has been successfully employed for AGMs and major public engagement exercises. However, this is both labour intensive and costly.

A follow-up community engagement meeting will be planned to consider the detail of the draft Policies, which are awaited from Create Streets.

It was observed that many residents are failing to understand the process of developing a neighbourhood plan. An edited video of Create Streets' presentation of the Neighbourhood Forum draft Policies will be prepared and uploaded onto the Forum website.

The Redington Frogna! Association AGM was deferred.