



**LEE GREEN LOCAL ASSEMBLY
MEETING**
Wednesday 29 January 2014 7.30pm – 9.30pm
Trinity Church of England Secondary School
Taunton Road, London SE12

Record of Meeting

	Item	Actions
1	Welcome, Introduction & Format of meeting	
	<p>Councillor Sven Griesenbeck opened the meeting and welcomed those present. He introduced Councillor Mallory, who would be chairing the meeting. Councillor Mallory asked those attending the meeting for the first time to indicate that this was the case. He noted that a number of individuals were attending the meeting for the first time and explained the role of the Assembly and its workings, including identifying and focusing on local priorities.</p>	
2	Lee Green Safer Neighbourhood Update on Policing and Community Safety	
	<p>Councillor Mallory informed the meeting that Sergeant Ben Smith had sent his apologies. However, he had asked that it be stated at the meeting that, although there had been a recent restructuring of the police within the borough, local police priorities remained the same except for a small spade of burglaries around Northbrook Road before Christmas that drove crime figures up. The person responsible for this has since been arrested and charged subsequently bring figure down. The team are now four months into local Policing Model. This new model means that each ward no longer have a dedicated team but there are several larger teams covering several nearby wards.</p> <p>Ben remains dedicated to Lee Green ward and this is his full time job. He had further asked that it be stated that he was happy to answer any questions raised at the meeting, and Councillor Mallory had agreed to pass any questions raised back to Sergeant Smith. No questions were raised of relevance to Sergeant Smith.</p>	

3	<p>Recruiting Volunteers to the Assembly Coordinating Group</p> <p>One of the volunteer currently serving on the Assembly Coordinating group provided an overview of the role that volunteers play in the delivery of Assembly meeting. The group meets two weeks before an Assembly meeting to plan and agree the agenda for the meeting. Volunteers on the group also provide advice and suggestions on how to further improve the meeting and move forward the priorities adopted by the Assembly. Anyone interested in becoming a member is asked to speak with the Assembly coordinator at the end of the meeting.</p>	
4	<p>Section 106 funding for Lee Green</p> <p>Councillor Mallory provided an explanation of how s.106 works. He stated that a planned local development at Staplehurst Road has generate an income of £3,000 which would be managed by the Council. Councillor Mallory asked for ideas which could be discussed later in the meeting. A number of questions were raised, including any restrictions on what the money could be spent on and where. Councillor Mallory clarified that the money had to be spent in the Hither Green area and could include "improvement to the public realm". A further question was asked as to whether the money could be combined with other Local Assembly funds. It was stated that this was possible, providing that it met other key requirements.</p> <p>Ideas for spending Section 106 fund</p> <p>1) provision of shelter outside Hither Green Station for pick-ups / bus / taxis</p>	
5	<p>Updates on Assembly Priorities</p> <p>Councillor Mallory introduced the item by stating that the existing priorities had been in place for some time and that it was therefore important for them to be refreshed and for members of the Assembly to examine whether they were still relevant. Councillor Mallory asked the Assembly to discuss the priorities in small groups and to note the four or five priorities agreed within their group for feedback to the general session. Prior to the group discussions, a number of questions were raised regarding the Leegate Centre and Councillor Mallory provided an update, stating that discussions were still being pursued between the landlords and Asda. It was noted that there was a need for any future developments to be balanced between large development and the sustainability of small shops.</p> <p>The following priorities were identified:</p> <p>Group 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leegate – Something has to be done • Parking - continue the review 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Provision – continued support. Need for more integrated services and facilities • Healthy Lifestyles – supporting the elderly • Environment (1) Promoting manor park community centre and surrounding facilities. (2) More planters e.g. streets and patch of land by Lee Station <p>Group 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Road Safety (1) Pavement maintenance – broken pavements across ward (2) Traffic calming measures to reduce rat runs in residential roads (3) TFL to notify Lee Green Assembly of any proposed work or changes that might impact on traffic in the area (Strategic approach) • Street lighting - (light pollution) impact on residents, property and wildlife • Healthy lifestyle – Outdoor gym in Manor park • Support for local small businesses – look into the cost of business parking permit rates • Provision for young people – consider provision of activities for the under 13s. Current provision concentrate on young people 13 and over. <p>Group 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roads (1) Parking matters – continue with review (2) Road Safety – to include pedestrians, cyclists, speed calming measures and lighting (3) Road maintenance – repair pot holes and foot paths across ward • Public Health (1) improving hospital provision and services (2) Provision of outdoor kip fit gym in Manor Park (3) Maintain green spaces across ward • Leegate Development – continue work for this priority • Environment enhancement – regular tree maintenance • Raising awareness of deprivation • Youth Provision - more outdoor activities, reaching a more diverse group of young people <p>Group 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking • Leegate • Environment • Supporting the elderly • Healthy Lifestyle (1) improve hospital care (2) Encourage preventative Medicine (3) promotion of activities aimed at improving general well-being • Roads and pavements upkeep – drains, leaf clearing, trees trimming and repairs of potholes on road <p>Group 5</p>	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leegate • Parking • Improving the Environment – provision of benches, tree planting and maintenance • Youth provision – include younger age groups • Supporting the Elderly • More Support for Lee Green Community Centre <p>Group 6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leegate Redevelopment – use empty units as pop-up shops • Trees maintenance and Pavement repairs • Environment – Litters on Lee High Road • Traffic Calming measures – HGV using residential roads to avoid traffic on the South Circular Road e.g. Dallinger Road • Crime reduction – Measures to reduce vehicle crime <p>Group 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic – rephrasing of traffic lights at the junction of Leegate • Road safety and traffic calming measures • Environment (1) preservation of mature plane trees (2) development of skate boarding park in Edith Nisbet Garden • Leegate – improving the public realm • Create more nursery and primary school places (medium / long term projection) <p>Group 8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plant more trees on local streets • Environment (1) Cleaning dog faeces on pavements (2) lack of waste bins on pavements (3) flytipping • Public Health – create exercise areas in parks for all age groups • Create more primary school places in the ward (medium / long term projection) • More youth projects in the area • Cemetery provision <p>Group 9</p> <p>Key Issues – Coherence – identifying links between priorities e.g. traffic, parking and Leegate</p> <p>What we need to do : develop a mission statement (local plan) “ A safe community – safe road, improved local shops, clean environment / streets, somewhere pleasant for all ages to live , work and enjoy leisure pursuits”</p> <p>Practicality: What can we do?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic and parking (1) Movement survey – information gathering done by residents (2) Effective measures to reduce speed of vehicles (making speed limits signs more visible and clearer (3) Create a safer cycling measures (4) identifying quick wins 	
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6)	Community Updates and any other business	
	<p>Car Parking Zone - Councillor Mallory informed the group that there would be a consultation of all areas including the areas adjacent to Lee Station. He clarified that one of the options would include a two</p>	

	hour parking option. An all-day option would also be available. Parking tickets - following a question from the floor, Councillor Mallory agreed to provide feedback promised by the Mayor that each household in the area would receive ten free parking tickets.	Cllr Mallory
9)	Declaration of interest	
	There were no interest declared at this meeting.	