

**LADYWELL ASSEMBLY
MEETING**

Thursday 14 July 2016 7.00pm – 9.00pm

St Andrew's Centre

Brockley Road, London SE4

Record of Meeting

	Item	Actions
1	Welcome, Introduction & Format of meeting	
	Cllr Bill Brown welcomed everyone to the meeting and went through the format of the meeting.	
2	Reporting back from Assembly funded project	
	<p>Laura from the Brockley Three Peaks Walk project provided the feedback on how the funding they received from the Assembly last year was spent to deliver a local activity. The funding secured enabled the production of a circular green walk map which runs through Hilly Fields, One Tree Hill and the valley of the River Ravensbourne. The map also points out smaller, flatter green spaces that are potentially more accessible for those with mobility impairments. Many businesses are keen on it as it raises awareness of the area and the lovely open spaces that are underused. It's a 5 miles circular walk and transport can be provided for those who are unable to do the whole walk.</p> <p>The map developed by a group of four volunteers has some historical information on the reverse. A launch of the map is planned for Saturday 16th July at 11am at the Sparkle Festival held in memory of Jimmy Mizen in Ladywell fields. A promotional t-shirt designed by a cartoonist, is also available for sale at a cost of £10. Proceeds from the sale will support 2 local charities, The Steven Lawrence Charitable Trust and Jimmy Mizen Foundation.</p>	
3	Community Healthy Eating & Physical Activity Programme	
	<p>Livia La Camara from Greenwich Co-operative Development Agency informed the meeting about a new community healthy eating and physical activities programme in Lewisham. The main two strands to the programme are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) A free five weeks practical cookery sessions where participants will prepare a selection of recipes and shown how to make small changes to the way meals are prepared to support healthy eating 2) Free physical activities and healthy eating training support 	

	<p>programme to build capacity would be provided to interested community groups. The project aims to support the groups to deliver these sessions to people in their local community.</p> <p>The last session would also involve taking participants to a local community garden to learn about food growing.</p> <p>An application process and sub criteria would be used to select eligible groups and organisation who will participate in the programme. Any interested groups or organisation is asked to contact Livia on 0208 269 4880 or by emailing livia@gcda.org.uk</p>	
4	Police Safer Neighbourhood Team Update	
	<p>There were no representative from the police available at the meeting due to other commitments. A written update provided was read out by the chair as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PC Richard Cheeseman becomes a Sergeant in Westminster borough. • PCSO Heather Watchorn has started training to be a PC and will be based in Greenwich • Rebecca Ryan, Steven Powell and Craig Armstrong have joined the team • In terms of recent activities, the team have been trying to set up as many new neighbourhood watch schemes as possible. Anyone interested in setting the scheme up on their street is asked to email their details to Andrew.dobsbn@met.pnn.police.uk • The police are implementing a new initiative called Operation Axel to apprehend people causing nuisance with mopeds. This is where the unit are specifically tasked to target the moped riders, check on insurance, establish bike ownership and search individuals for things such as drugs and weapons. This has so far been a success and hopefully deter these behaviour. • The team continues to carry out warrants on homes they have intelligence to believe may be involved in crime and continue to get some good results. • A Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention day has been arranged in partnership with Crofton Park SNT and Lewisham Council Community Safety Team on Saturday 30th July on Hilly Fields from 10am to 2pm. Local SNT officers will be offering residents crime prevention advice and materials. A copy of the flyer is included in the meeting pack. 	
5	Update on Ladywell Play Tower & Coroner's Court	
	<p>Funding was secured from English Heritage about three years ago to repair part of the roof of the Play Tower. This has prevented the building rapid deterioration. The adjacent mortuary is in perfect condition and had been in use until July last year. The Coroner's court has not been used for some time. In September last year Victorian Society listed the site as one of ten most important</p>	

	<p>building at danger of loss in the country. The society is actively campaigning for the restoration of the building. The Council is examining different processes by which it can capitalise on this interest. One of which is to commence an expression of interest where this opportunity would be advertised for a new partner who could assist with the restoration.</p> <p>The process will come in two stages: a corporate expression of interest, outlining certain things the Council would be looking for from a potential partner giving the current financial situation. This will include an explanation of how the capital investment would be raised. The second would be the development of a business and revenue plan. Key to these process will be regular consultation with the community on various ideas as they emerge and getting some feedback on ideas proposed. Anyone interested in being kept in the loop with future updates on this matter is asked to leave their email details on the sign in sheet provided.</p> <p>A question and answer sessions followed this update.</p>	
6	Ladywell Fire Site	
	<p>Nigel Tyrell from the Council's environmental services provided an update on this matter at the last meeting. He mentioned the difficulties experienced with contacting the landowner. The agent has now made contact with the Council about what it needs to do to clear debris on the site as an interim action. This has been a concern for local people. They have also indicated the possibilities of developing the land as a mixed dwellings. With regards to the possibilities for a Compulsory Purchase Order, it was explained that this is not something which the Council will consider due to the size of the site. The chair asked that the Assembly is kept updated on future development as they arise.</p>	
7)	Feedback on Assembly funded project	
	<p>Feedback was received from Brockley Max on how the funding the project received from the Assembly was spent. A fun Saturday was had on Hilly fields. This comprises of six hours of live music from trainee and professional musicians. Some local schools were also involved including, Turnham Green School and Beacon School. There were over 20 stalls displaying art and craft, a magician and nine workshop leaders offering art workshop to children. The funding also helped to organise the children trail which happened throughout the week in Ladywell and Brockley and the provision of refreshment for volunteers (Three Cs, Police Cadets and Good Gym) who helped to hand out the programme. An announcement of forthcoming activities by the group were provided as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One year anniversary of the Big Photos taken on Hilly fields last year. Anyone interested in seeing or purchasing the photos is asked to pick up a leaflet containing further instruction on the event. • The Breakspear Community Garden group is holding an open 	

	day on Saturday 16 th July from 12-4pm.	
8)	Ladywell Assembly fund 2016-17	
	The chair declared the Assembly fund for 2016-17 opened. Applications are welcomed from local groups and organisation who which to benefit from this fund. The processes remain the same as last year.	
9)	Empty flats above the E Coomes Betting Shop	
	The update received from the Council Empty property officer was read to the meeting. The Council has entered into a fresh dialogue with the property manager of E Coomes Ltd. The manager has been on long term sick. It was said that the company has encountered some unforeseen unexpected large sum of utility reconnection costs after many years of the flat being empty. They are currently in discussion with the Council's leasing team about the possibilities of leasing the flats to the Council to tackle some of its housing crisis.	
10)	Community update and any other business	
10.1	A question was raised about some stables and warehouse in the area listed for auction. The meeting was informed that Pearce Goldcrest was granted planning permission to provide 93 seniors' flats on the site. It was said that the company has now put the site up for auction due to some financial situations. With regards to the stables, an email has been sent to the Council expressing concerns raised by residents and are still awaiting a response.	
10.2	Friends of Ladywell Cemetery are holding a book reading event on Saturday 16 th July in the Chapel of Ladywell Cemetery from 2.30pm.	
10.3	Lewisham Pensioners Forum will be holding its annual Pensioners day on Wednesday 21 st September 2016 at the Broadway Theatre in Catford. Tickets for the day can be purchased at this meeting.	
11)	Declaration of interest	
	There were no interest declared at this meeting.	