

**LADYWELL ASSEMBLY
MEETING**
Wednesday 11 October 2017 7.00pm – 9.00pm
Gordonbrock Primary School,
Gordonbrock Road, London SE4

Record of Meeting

	Item	Actions
1	Welcome, Introduction & Format of meeting	
	Cllr Bill Brown welcomed everyone and went through the format of the meeting.	
2	Police Safer Neighbourhood Team Update	
	<p>PC Andrew Dobson updated the meeting on what the SNT have been doing since the last meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new PC, Liz has recently joined the team. The team now comprises of 2 PCs, 1 PCSO and 1 Sargent. • The SNT has recently appointed a new inspector, James Yaxley • The team now has a twitter page @MPSladywell. • The team works very closely with the Brockley and Telegraph Hill SNT to deliver cross ward operation. This new way of working has the added benefits for the deployment of extra officers if they are needed. • Other recent operation delivered involves the rescue of 2 dogs from an address. The RSPCA were involved in the rescue and removal of the dogs. • There was a reported rise in residential burglaries in the ward between the month of August and September. A couple of arrest was been made around September time. • No residential burglary reported so far for the month of October. Targeted and intelligence patrols continues for the area. • Moped crime continues to be a problem across London wide including Ladywell fields and Hillyfileds. The police are working closely with the Council to see what options are available regarding the installation of barrier restriction, CCTV etc. if funding can be identified. • In terms of policing, the team operates a scheme known as operation axial where people who are known to be moped riders are targeted. Checks are carried out to see if riders have insurance and where it is found they don't, the bikes are seized. Residents are encouraged to pass the registration of moped ridden antisocially in their areas to the police if they can manage to get them. The police can take action by issuing a section 59 order warning order to the rider • The meeting was informed of the arrest and remand of a well-known moped rider who dwells in various criminal activities. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Targeted patrol will begin in the autumn during Halloween and fireworks night. There would be more high visibility of police during this periods between 2pm and 12am daily from 20th October till the 5th of November. <p>A number of question and answer followed this update.</p>	
3	Ladywell Playtower update	
	<p>An update on how things have been progressing on the Ladywell Playtower was provided as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An impressive number of interests were received at the initial stage whilst helping the council find a restorative partner for the building. Around 50 organisations had a tour of the building with 24 expression of interests submitted This was later narrowed to 4 organisations. The final 4 organisations are Goldsmith University of London, Guildmore and Curzon Cinema, Picture House Cinema and RJK/Copeland and Hillman An evaluation process followed and each of the bidders were asked to submit information on things like their proposed project outline, business plan, financial proposal, their investment, funding and partnership, health and safety, due diligence and experience. All of these information would be included in the report which is due to go before Mayor and Cabinet on 15th November to aid his decision making on who should be selected as the restoration partner. Three pieces of information would be passed to the mayor, including a technical evaluation, feedback from local stakeholder groups who has been invited to comment and from national groups like Historic England and Victorian Society along with the result of the consultation exercise conducted by officers. A summary explanation of the proposal submitted by each of the four remaining bidders was presented to the meeting. The plans included the provision of a new cinema, restaurant, creative performance space and art studio. A public consultation was conducted over an 8 week's period from July until September. Around 1300 responses was been received to the online questionnaire. A public event was also organised on 19th July. This attracted over 120 people. The event was held at the St Mary's Centre. Bidders presented their proposals to the people at the meeting and took questions from the floor. Videos of all the proposal were uploaded onto Youtube for people to view. Various promotions took place including flyers, twitter and Facebook and site board displays and exhibition at Lewisham Library to get people's views. <p>Next steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A report will be presented to Mayor and Cabinet on 15th November 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following the decision from the mayor, legal works will commence to sort out the lease etc. • Planning consent will be sought • Partners will commence the activities for raising the funding that is necessary to restore the building • Works stage to commence. This stage is estimated to begin in about 2 years. <p>Questions were invited from the floor.</p>	
4	Assembly fund bid presentation	
	<p><u>Ladywell Street Art</u> Joe thanked the assembly for the funding he secured for the first round of the street art under the bridge on Elmira Street. This has made a positive impact and brighten the area. A further suggestion to have another artwork on the opposite side of the wall has come up. The idea is to create a black and white painting of Emily Davison to the height of the wall on a black background. The art which cover the same length as the 'Welcome to Ladywell' on the opposite side. A text will introduce Emily Davison and explain a little about her. This text is yet to be written properly. The painting will be subtle and will contrast nicely with the bright colours from the 'Welcome to Ladywell' sign. This project will coincide with the celebration of the 100 years anniversary of the representation of the People's Act 1918 which allows women to vote for the first time. A picture of the initial design proposed was shown to the meeting.</p> <p><u>Ladywell Street Trees</u> Dom Elliott from Street Trees for Living speaking on behalf of the bid proposer (a Ladywell resident) presented the bid to the meeting. The project propose to provide 10 street trees on in the ward. The bid is made on the basis that the project will benefit people in Ladywell. It is proposed that individuals on the streets where the trees are planted would be involved in the care of the young trees. The trees will be planted at a fixed cost by Lewisham Council at £240 per trees. The bid is for 10 trees which amount to £2400. The scheme would involve local residents and usually businesses who will water the trees in the Summer months for the next two years or more to give the trees the best chance. The scheme would be great for greening the ward and will address air pollution. The planting is likely to take place in the winter of 2018/19. Regarding the location of trees, this would be the responsibility of the bidder to agree and organise multiple planting so that the trees will have more impact than single trees plotted around on their own. The scheme would also be looking at the replacement of a number of missing tree pits and is supported by Street for Living.</p> <p>The comments was made that if the assembly is to approve this the bidder would need to agree to spreading out the planting to benefit other areas across the ward instead of limiting them to one street as reflected in the bid.</p> <p><u>Brockley Max Art in the Park</u></p>	

	<p>A short film from last year Art in the Park festival was shown to the meeting. The festival will be held from 3rd to the 9th of June 2018 and the Assembly has been really supportive of the project in terms of funding every year. It is hoped that the short film would encourage more people to attend future event.</p> <p><u>Rural Urban Synthesis Society (RUSS)</u></p> <p>A member of the group presented the bid to the assembly as follows:</p> <p>RUSS is described as a community land trust, an organisation passionate about finding ways to deliver community led housing through the provision of affordable housing. The project has acquired a piece of land located just outside the Ladywell ward at the end of Church Grove. Lewisham Council has granted a long lease for the site where it is proposed that around 23 affordable houses would be built on the site, including 5 social rented homes.</p> <p>The bid submitted to the Ladywell Assembly fund is for the sister project which is the community hub. There are 3 parts to the community hub project. The structure will be built as a community build project working with volunteers to share the knowledge of community housing and encourage more people to this field. The scheme would also create a community space for people in Ladywell to use. A draft design of the community space was shown to the people at the meeting. Thoughts were invited asking people to state what they would like to use the space for and how it can provide for need of the community. A successful crowd funding which ended during the week has enabled the group secure the funding needed to build the structure for the community space. The bid to the assembly is to fund the fitting inside the building such as furniture etc.</p> <p>People were asked to participate in the market place event held for the bidders during the break and ask any further questions they may have about the bids presented.</p>	
5	Voting Assembly funding bids	
	<p>Due to further clarity required on the street trees bid, the chair proposed that the assembly agree the bid in principle. Members of the coordinating group will then work with the bidder and Street Trees for living to ensure that things are done correctly, i.e. planting is extended to other streets in the ward as the assembly had expressed. The proposal was accepted by the meeting.</p> <p>For the remaining bids, the chair put forward 2 suggestions: The meeting was asked to choose either to take a vote for each individual bids or take a collective vote for all 4 bids together. People agreed to go for the collective voting. All the four bids were approved with a proviso proposed on the street tree bid from the £12.500 assembly budget.</p> <p>In regards to the £2,500 Councillor's discretionary fund, the chair explained that up until last year this fund was added to the</p>	

	<p>Assembly fund to create a larger pot. Last year, some of the fund was used to provide Christmas tree in Ladywell village to coincide with the Ladywell Christmas market. The plan this year is to allocate all the Councillor's discretionary towards the provision of 3 Christmas trees, one in Ladywell Village, one by the new Coop shop on Brockely Road and the last to be placed by the rows of shops next to St John's. The Assembly was also asked to approve the use some of the remaining Assembly fund to top up any shortfall to the cost of the Christmas tree in the case that the funding from the Councillor's is short of covering the funding required. The Assembly approved the request.</p>	
6	Lewisham's Bid for London Borough of culture	
	<p>In the Summer the mayor of London made an announcement about a borough of culture competition. The scheme is about using art and culture to make a difference to people's lives. Lewisham already has a good track record for the use of art and culture to make a real difference. There is a million and a half pound prize for the winner. Winning the competition could also attract additional investment to the borough. People were being asked for their ideas on how to use art and culture to make a difference, what are the issues that needs to be addressed and how to celebrate art and culture across the borough. People were also encouraged to think about the hidden arts and culture in their area.</p> <p>How can people help to support the bid? There is a social media campaign which people can tweet using #loveitlewisham or by visiting www.loveitlewisham.co.uk</p>	
7	Air Quality and Pollution	
	<p>Cllr Sophie McGeevor, the borough pollution champion, gave an overview of the various attempt by the Council to reduce pollution across the borough. A presentation was provided as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council has been actively circulating a message about the issues surrounding air quality. This is said to be the largest environmental risk to public health. • One of the attempt devised to reduce the risk is by educating people on elements of pollutants and the issues surrounding them. People may have heard of PM2.5, PM10, these are particular matters that contains tiny microscopic pieces of dust and chemical which can get into people's vascular system. There is more evidence to show how dangerous these can be to people's health. • Air quality affects everyone but has particular health impact on the vulnerable in the society, the elderly, children, including unborn children and is being attributed to around 10,000 death in London. • A particular concern in Lewisham is the inequality implications 	

of pollution. Areas of high deprivation and Schools with high number of children having free school meals has the worst air quality. There are real inequality implications to this.

- A map showing areas where air pollution are high was shown to the meeting. Pollution is said to be worse in the north of the borough around Evelyn and New Cross wards
- Lewisham is part of the London Air Quality Network and have 3 sites continuously measuring air quality and another 35 tubes around the borough.
- A question was raised about personal air monitoring, this is said to be a great way to measure personal exposure to air pollution and raising its awareness. A picture of a project conducted with assistance from residents in Deptford to measure air pollution was explained to the meeting. A word of caution was sounded that the Council cannot use the evidence generated from the personal pollution monitors to control where resources / funding goes.

Lewisham's Air Quality Plan for 2016-2021

The areas of focus in the plan were mainly around controlling emissions form developments and buildings (including constructions). This will include things like:

- Raising public health awareness on air quality
- Reducing emissions from delivery services and freight
- Reducing Council's vehicle emissions
- Actions that enables and encourages transport model shift from conventional care use.

Two main principal complementary approaches that the Council has taken towards achieving these aims are:

- Reducing emission by improving its fleet of vehicles and encouraging behaviour change I,e, less driving, less diesel vehicles
- Reduce exposure by walking in less polluted streets, using green routes, avoiding activities on high pollution days and by signing up to the air text air quality alerts via sms and email messaging

Some actions already happening

- Expanding the electric vehicle charging points throughout the borough - currently developing a Low Emission Transport Strategy
- Improving walking and cycling routes, particularly across Deptford and New Cross through the North Lewisham Links project, and the Quietways project
- Planning Policy is providing a car-free developments
- Raising awareness through school programmes, public art projects and Public Health engagement with GP's
- Controlling emission from developments
- Some funding has been secured from GLA to carry out 3 audits of the borough most polluted schools and additional funding has been given to the affected schools to improve pollution rate and protect children using the playground from air pollution.
- The idea of using green screen as pollution barrier in schools

	<p>has proved very effective. An example cited was the screen used at Dalmain Primary School. Green screen provides a physical barrier between playground and the road. A study carried out in Kensington and Chelsea found the green screen barrier to be a cheap and affective way of reducing air pollution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is the kind of thing that Lewisham would like to do, encouraging parents to talk to the head of their children's school about using this approach • The Council is currently working with Source London to introduce charge points on street and in car parks for electric cars. These standard charge point charges vehicle in 1 to 3 hours on either a membership or pay as you go scheme. • There is also an additional proposal to have rapid charging facilities on lamp post in places where there is demands and • Working with TFL to install charging points along the red routes <p><u>What people can do to help</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sing up to the mayor's air quality pledge • Walk or cycle instead of taking the car • Use public transport instead of driving to reduce air pollution emission • Talk to friends and family about air pollution and encourage them to take action against air pollution • Explore alternatives to owning a diesel car i.e. becoming a member of a car club, trading in diesel cars for petrol vehicles and buying hydrogen or electric run cars. <p>A session of questions and answers followed this presentation.</p>	
8	Community update and any other business	
	<p><u>Ladywell Safer Neighbourhood Panel</u> The next panel meeting will take place on Friday 20th October 2017 at the Tabernacle Church, Algernon Road SE4, frim 7pm. The panel is looking for community members to join the panel and assist the police in setting the SNT priority for Ladywell ward.</p> <p><u>Friends of Brockley & Ladywell Cemeteries</u> An announcement was made about a forthcoming event which people were invited to attend. Around three years ago the assembly awarded a grant of £3000 towards the restoration of the memorial to the civilian victims of air raids over Hither Green and Sydenham in Ladywell Cemetery.</p> <p>The restoration is now completed and an official unveiling ceremony will take place on Saturday 21st October at 2.30pm. This will be followed of the provision of refreshment and an exhibition in the chapel. The next day at 2pm the friends of the cemetery are organising a guided walk on the theme of the commemoration of the Third Battle of Ypres. There are many connections to the two cemeteries which will be explored on that walk.</p>	

9	Declaration of interest	
	There were no interest declared at this meeting.	