

MINUTES OF THE GROVE PARK ASSEMBLY

Saturday, 7 October 2017 at 11.00 am

PRESENT: Councillors Hilary Moore

ALSO PRESENT:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Suzannah Clarke and Councillor Colin Elliott

Summary of Meeting

The Grove Park Assembly Fund Marketplace Event

The assembly started with a marketplace event to allocate the £12,500 Grove Park Assembly Fund. Ten projects were bidding for a share of the fund and attendees were encouraged to visit all of the projects before deciding which ones they wanted to support.

Coopers Lane Primary School
Project – Coopers Lane Forest Project
Amount applied for - £1,500

Grove Park Carnival & Chinbrook Dog Show
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Amount applied for - £1,500

Grove Park Community Group
Project – Chairs
Amount applied for - £1,200

Bobby Dazzler's
Project – Bobby Dazzler's Social Club
Amount applied for - £1,500

Friends of Grove Park Nature Reserve
Project – Fencing Improvements & Bench Installation
Amount applied for - £1,854

CHAMPS Academy Lewisham & Bromley
Project – Confidence & Life Skills Coaching Club for Young People
Amount applied for - £1442

Dalmain Athletic Girls Football Club
Project – Grove Park Girls Football Summer Camps 2018
Amount applied for - £1,420

Word of Life Church
Project – Chosen Generation Youth Hub
Amount applied for - £1,400

W G Grace Seniors Citizen Tuesday Club
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Amount applied for - £1,500

9th Lewisham North Scout Group
Project – Develop Local Scouting
Amount applied for - £750

Welcome and introductions

Councillor Hilary Moore welcomed everyone to the assembly meeting and explained that Cllr Suzannah Clarke and Cllr Colin Elliott had both sent their apologies

Lewisham's bid for London Borough of Culture

Nancy Stridgen asked the assembly the following:

What is your Grove Park or Lewisham hidden gem, what is special that people don't know about?

- The old hospital and history of that site
- Baring school
- Grove Park Nature reserve/Railway children walk – amazing little gem of nature inspired by the railway children, walks, wildlife, train spotting, pond dipping
- The apple orchard and the Baring Hall hotel
- Chinbrook Meadow – walking club, activities
- Nature Reserve and Burnt Ash Pond
- The activities for children with disability and carers forum at Grove Park Library
- All of it...
- The community
- The Baring Hotel (save it) X3
- Youth Club re open it!
- Nature reserves
- Facilities for young people – Dalmain
- Yoga in Chinbrook Park
- Lots of Community running groups
- Marvels Lane Youth Club – Bring it back
- Water link Way
- Diversity and great culture
- Great little communities that pull together
- Mummy's Gin fund – supporting families
- Broadway Theatre

What do you think the bid should include? How can we celebrate our uniqueness and help communities in lasting positive ways?

- Let's celebrate Lewisham's wonderful cultural and ethnic mix, bring stories from places of origin and music drama etc.
- Cinema
- Film screenings
- Pop in at Lewisham Shopping Centre for all ages – maybe a crèche
- Performance space in central Lewisham bring people in
- Communications to people money spent on
- Help Refugees and Asylum seekers
- More community spaces and hubs
- Use unusual spaces for activities garages under Marvels Lane Youth Club
- Artists in pop-up community spaces
- Poetry
- Bulb planting
- Intergenerational things
- Trails, art history and architecture
- It has to benefit young people (25 and under)
- Grove Park Youth Club Marvels Lane use this space
- More activities for kids in Marvels Lane
- Cycling lanes safety and cycling together
- Education and Schools more music in schools
- Community Allotments in Chinbrook
- Tidy roads and make them more pretty

Grove Park Neighbourhood Forum

Stephen Kenny told the assembly that Grove Park the Grove Park Neighbourhood Plan is ready to review. This is the statutory consultation and people are invited to feedback comments by 20 November 2017. Please follow this link to download the documents:

<https://groveparkneighbourhoodforum.com/publications/>

A hard copy of the consultation can be viewed at Grove Park Library.

Following the consultation the Plan will be updated to reflect the comments and then submitted to Lewisham Council for independent consultation.

Results of the Vote

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