

Minutes of Fitzwest Executive Committee

Date: Thursday 3rd January 2019

Time: 6p.m.

Venue: NWEF Offices, 3rd Floor, Heddon House, 149-151 Regent Street, London W1

In Attendance: Ian Johnstone - Acting Chair/Facilitator
Julia Haythorn (JH) – Minutes
Dan Johnson (DJ)
Sharon Banoff (SB)
Yoram Blumann (YB)
Gwilym Harbottle (GH)

Apologies: Wendy Shillam (WS)
Christopher Shaw (CS)

1.0 Welcome and introductions. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

2.0 CITY PLAN – UPDATE

YB attended a pre-consultation meeting for forums in the plan area hosted by two WCC officials. He told them it was disappointing that neighbourhood forums were not mentioned at all in the draft plan as this could be discouraging for forums.

Formal consultation is in March. It was agreed FWF should be ready to respond then.

3.0 OXFORD STREET PROPOSALS – UPDATE

3.1 YB drafted the response on behalf of FWF and submitted this to the Oxford Street District consultation.

3.2 GH said that out of the 87 projects, 20 of these are in our area so we should be ready in March 2019 to examine the detailed proposal when it is available.

4.0 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – UPDATE

4.1 YB said we need to have our draft finished before next meeting on 4th February. All members of the executive should read it again before then and contribute any comments.

4.2 It was agreed the next meeting on 4 February we will discuss the public consultation of the draft Neighbourhood Plan and we should invite Tony Burton to advise us on how to run the consultation.

ACTION:

JH to invite Tony Burton to 4 Feb 19 executive meeting.
All members of executive to read draft plan again and contribute any comments.

5.0 MARKET PLACE GREENING TRIAL – UPDATE

DJ presented on behalf of NWECC. The Powerpoint is available on FWF website. He made the following points:

- He wants to get FWF's input into this project.
- They are thinking of a combination of option 2 and 3.
- It could be completed this calendar year.
- The project is very likely to be funded. NWECC have already promised £100,000. They have £25,000 already from Great Portland Estate and are going to apply for £75,000 from Veolia Environmental Fund. There are other options as well eg CiL
- Yoram Blumann from FWF has accepted invitation to be on the steering group. First meeting 10.1.19.

SB asked for the bottom of Great Titchfield Street to be included as it is already pedestrianized.

The Executive agreed to continuing with the consultation and noted that we are enthusiastic about this proposal and grateful for NWECC's initiation and work on this project.

6.0 AOB

6.1 Website - Someone needs to look after the website and answer enquiries and messages. JH volunteered to get the log in codes from WS and get things up to date.

6.2 HOLCROFT COURT GREENING PROJECT

GH: Comments by the landowner (WCC/CityWest Homes) on the application close 21.1.19. After that the planning application can be submitted and it will take up to 8 weeks to resolve. If granted we can then start. (Note: final details will depend on what happens to CityWest Homes after April 1st 2019)

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 4th February 2019 at NWECC at 6pm
Facilitator GH
Minutes: IJ

GH will distribute the agenda on 28/1/19 so please notify of any items to be added.

Future Meetings (please note some of the facilitator/minutes roles have changed):

[Thursday 7th March](#) F: NB M: GH

[Monday 1st April](#) F:SB M: NB

[Thursday 9th May](#) F:WS M SB

