

MAYFAIR NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM - STEERING GROUP MEETING 15:00-16:00, WEDNESDAY 18th MARCH Via Telecon

Participants

Jeremy Bishop Resident Jace Tyrell **Business Bob Dawson Business** Scott Collier Community Marie-Louise Burrows Resident Gordon Morrison Resident Sandeep Bhalla **Business** Keith Bailey **Business**

Secretarial

Hannah Kinnimont Grosvenor

In Attendance

Dan Johnson **NWEC**

Apologies

Fr Dominic Robinson Community Fr Richard Fermer Community Diana Dennis Resident Kate Goodwin Community Cllr Glanz WCC Cllr Lewis WCC

Cllr Barnes WCC

AGENDA:

1.0 Welcome & Apologies

- JB welcomed all to the SG, that took place via teleconference owing to the circumstances with Covid-19.
- Apologies from Fr Dominic Robinson, Fr Richard Fermer, Diana Dennis, Kate Goodwin and the Cllrs from WCC.

2.0 Minutes of last meeting

• The SG confirmed that the February SG minutes were an accurate representation of the meeting.

3.0 Forum activities over the coming months

• JB described that it cannot be "business as usual" for the MNF in light of the Covid-19 situation. There's a need to scale back the MNF's activity and to manage the expectation of the Forum's members.

Steering Group meetings

- JB proposed that the SG only meets via telephone or email, and when necessary; with a minimum of one quarterly meeting in order to be in line with Articles of Association.
- The SG confirmed they are in agreement with this proposal.

AGM

- JB suggested that the AGM due to take place in May, should be postponed.
- All Directors of the SG are to remain on the SG until the AGM is held.
- All in office are to remain in office until the AGM is held.
- JB described that the constitution needs 2 general meetings every year. There's a need to write to the Forum's membership and explain that there might not be 2 general meetings this year.
- The SG confirmed they are in agreement with this proposal.

NCIL

- JB suggested the NCIL meeting, due to take place in May, is also to be postponed.
- The SG confirmed they are in agreement with this proposal.

P&PR

- JB suggested that the upcoming P&PR Committee Meeting be postponed or take place by telephone or email.
- JB described that he and NH will continue monitoring planning applications and dealing with them as now, except that no face to face meetings will be held.
- The SG confirmed they are in agreement with this proposal.

Communication to Forum members

- JB suggested a need for 2 communications to be made one to Forum members, and one to those we invited to the NCIL meeting.
- For the NCIL communication, it should be circulated to the whole invite list rather than just those that attended.

Action = JB to draft a note for the forum membership.

Action = KB to draft a note for the NCIL committee.

Action = HK to communicate each note respectively once they are finalised.

Other

• JT suggested that WCC might be postponing planning and development meetings.

Matters Arising from February SG Meeting

Marketing Communications Plan Update (JT)

- JT has sent around an email.
- JT confirmed that there will be an indefinite pause on implementing a marketing strategy until it returns to business as usual.

Grosvenor Square Update Presentation (KB)

- JB asked whether this could be put on hold and any available information circulated
- KB to suggest that GS team's attendance postponed.

Action = KB to see whether a Grosvenor Square Gardens SG meeting presentation can be circulated, as well as an indication on progress.

CIL Projects Update (All)

- DJ described that NCIL projects on monitoring air quality, A3 usage in Mayfair and security groups are well advanced as applications.
- JB asked DJ to contact Cllr Glanz for input and support for the drinking fountains project.
- JT commented there could be merit in joining together Projects 3/7/8 each regarding Mount Street Gardens and their surrounding area.
- KB described that a team from Grosvenor were to inspect 20th March to understand in more detail the scope of the proposed St George's School projects but this is now on hold.
- JB described that he understood the Gardens proposed by Father Richard Fermer could be on church ground, and so it was a matter for the church and St George's school.
- DJ commented that CIL money has to be spent on publicly accessible projects, in the case of the Mount Street Gardens playground project.
- JB suggested that there is not a combination of Projects 3/7/8 for now as it's unclear.

WCC Meeting (JCB)

• JB and JT meeting with Elizabeth Hitchcock to be postponed until face to face meetings happen again.

4.0 Forum funding (JCB)

- JB has circulated a document on Forum funding and its key principles.
- The SG are to make comments on whether they are happy with the principles.
- BD noted that development generates CIL payments, and that there could therefore be a perceived conflict to manage in the MNF's responses to planning applications.
- JB described a need to respond to planned development based only on the Neighbourhood Plan Policies.

5.0 AGM Preparation (KB)

• JB described that the AGM is to be postponed in light of the current circumstances, as before.

7.0 AOB

- JT commented that there will be provisions made in Mayfair for elderly residents within the current environment.
- JT described that NWEC have been hard working in this time for retail and hospitality in Mayfair.

Action = JT is to provide relevant updates to the forum as and when.

- MLB raised a point on security within Mayfair given that many Mayfair retailers are temporarily shutting up shop.
- JT described that NWEC are in conversation with the Met on this.
- KB described that Grosvenor are liaising with the MET and their retail tenants on security.
- JB asked would it be plausible for residents to come together and fund extended NWEC security?
- JT said the challenge is in getting staff for the security team.
- MLB suggested that Darren Carter could help with security.

Action = MLB to talk with him on behalf of the forum/RSMSJ for updates and suggestions.

- GM asked if the MNF could put in an emergency application for CIL for security.
- KB suggested that the MNF shouldn't have responsibility for security in Mayfair. The MNF should be helpful and support the community, but should be mindful of their scope. Security organisation should be down to the MET police.
- JB described that the MET have other responsibilities at the moment and it might be that a CIL application should be worked on by the MNF.
- JT commented that practically it might not work to put in a CIL application now given the timing.

6.0 Date of next meeting

• 29th April – to be decided on closer to the time