



# MAYFAIR NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

**MAYFAIR NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM – STEERING GROUP MEETING**  
**15:00-17:00, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2020**  
**Microsoft Teams Meeting**  
**Minutes**

## **Participants**

Gordon Morrison (Chair)	Resident
Jace Tyrell (Vice-Chair)	Business
Fr Dominic Robinson	Community
Fr Richard Fermer	Community
Bob Dawson	Business
Scott Collier	Community
Diana Dennis	Resident
Jeremy Bishop	Resident
Piers Townley	Business
Eric Scots Knight	Resident
Zaria Pinchbeck	Resident
Giles Easter	Business
Richard Cutt	Community
Petra Slater	Community

## **In Attendance**

Nigel Hughes	MNF
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## **Apologies**

Clr Barnes  
Sandeep Bhalla

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## **Matters arising from the last SG meeting:**

**Rough sleeping** – Organising for a representative from a charity to provide an update on what can be done. Update targeted for the March meeting, with potential to invite a representative from WCC as well.

## **Previous steering committee minutes approved**

## **Terms of reference for Steering Committee approved**

## **Marketing and Communications report**



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Marketing and communications committee hasn't met in 2020 and not much activity the last couple of months due to current lockdown. Regrouping in February and will come back with a plan in March.

Headlines.

- Working towards a 12-month plan.
- Reenergise the entire sub-committee.
- New start up events to bring all community groups together.
- Channels of communication.
- CIL projects support – green agenda.

## **Planning and public realm report.**

Terms of reference action was for the steering group to appoint a chairman.

Nigel – Endorsed to be chairman, terms of reference agreed.

A few of notable applications

- Porsche garage – application to turn into restaurant – presenting to the committee in February.
- 7 Burlington Gardens and Stanhope Gate– applications have now been submitted, generally supportive of the applications.
- South Molton Triangle resolution to grant content, forum supported scheme

A few refusals highlighted:

- 20 Berkeley St (Restaurant) extend opening hours to 2am which was turned down on adverse residential amenity
- 82 Mount St turned down on design grounds “design of the infill”, Neighbourhood plan wasn't referenced, but was turned down purely on Westminster design policy grounds. Richard Cutt added they were advised to withdraw as it was likely to be rejected, therefore the application has been withdrawn.
- Leconfield House, which the forum rejected to, was also subject to resolution to grant consent subject to a section 106. Richard Cutt added that the application was withdrawn the day of the committee hearing.

Richard Cutt brought to light that there are two applications that are contentious within the resident community, the Porsche garage, and the Audley pub.

- Porsche Garage is being presented to the committee in February
- The Audley pub - Application to vary the consent for the pub in regard to the hotel rooms converting to private dining. Voted at the RSMSJ Amenity Society committee meeting, the committee voted unanimously to submit the objection. MNF planning committee to review in February



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## CIL Report

11<sup>th</sup> September - Three CIL funding applications were submitted

5<sup>th</sup> October – All three approved.

2021 Priorities – Bring three current projects to reality. Consult and request new applications that are in line with the neighbourhood plan and additionally where possible apply some sort of focus on the projects, thinking greening and air quality in Mayfair.

***Eric to speak to Jeremy regarding the process of the consultation. \*Action\****

***Piers to pull together the round table work done previously by MNF and send to Eric. \*Action\****

## Shepherd's Market

Scott Collier (Head of the Shepherd's Market association) presented – only three more shops on in the Market, two corner shops and snappy snaps.

Scott's retail peers haven't been at all communicative with regards to assisting with grants arriving, duration in which they distributed the grants was very erratic.

Scott agreed that the idea of using CIL money to relaunch the area is a great idea, specifically in Shepherd's Market.

Development still going ahead in Whitehall St, they do everything they can to mitigate the impact on the shops along that road, the contact is extremely good, the development is going full steam ahead and is considered a considerate developer.

***Grants point - NWECC did a note on this, Piers to send note onto Scott to distribute it to the other retailers in the area. \*Action\****

## Community post Covid event

Sandeep not on the call, Sandeep was investigating.

Richard and the resident association as well as NWECC have offered to work with the committee on it.

## AOB

Richard Cutt raised his application to be part of the MNF sub committees.

***Nigel and Richard to discuss involvement in the Planning sub-committee. \*Action\****