



# MAYFAIR NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

**MAYFAIR NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM – STEERING GROUP MEETING**  
**15:00-17:00, Wednesday 21 September 2022**  
**70 Grosvenor St / Teams Meeting**  
**Minutes**

## **Participants**

Gordon Morrison (Chair)	Resident
Jeremy Bishop	Resident
Piers Townley	Business
Eric Scots-Knight	Resident
Edward Watts	Resident
Zaria Pinchbeck	Resident
Graham Barnes	Community
Steph Handley (for Giles Easter)	Business
Sandeep Bhalla	Business
Julian Stocks	Business
Natasha Mitchell	Community
Jace Tyrell (Vice-Chair)	Community

## **In Attendance**

Catherine Jenkins	Placemaking
Nigel Hughes	MNF
Jenny Casebourne	Pollen Estate

## **Apologies**

Fr Dominic Robinson	Community
Graham Barnes (technical issues)	Community

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## **Minutes**

Minutes approved

## **River Tyburn**

Natasha provided the update on the progress on establishing a consistent approach to celebrate the Tyburn river across Mayfair. A group, including Grosvenor and Astrea, has been convened and will work to share ideas and coordinate with other developers that are investing along the route.



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## **New members**

Gordon provided the update and is in the process of having discussions with Dee Corsi (NVEC), Charles Owen (Crown Estate), and Anne Gray (RSMSJ), as to whether they would be interested in applying to be Directors of the MNF Steering Group. The RSMSJ thought it was good to have a separation of the two groups. There was strong support from the Steering Group to have Crown Estate and NVEC represented on the MNF.

Jeremy provided an update on proposed changes to the MNF Articles of Association. The main proposals were to enable greater flexibility when considering appointments for Chair and Vice Chair, as well as to consider whether the standard term for the Chair should be increased to 2 years with possibility for the Steering Group to elect for a further term. The reason being is that it would provide greater continuity and ability for the Chair to deliver improvements for the community. The proposals were broadly supported by the Steering Group and it was agreed that they would be put forward to the members for approval at the next General Meeting.

***Action: Gordon to agree with TCE and NVEC about whether they would like to come forward as Steering Group members.***

***Action: Gordon and Piers to send out email to Members to ask for Steering Group nominations.***

***Action: Gordon and Piers to send out save the date for the next General Meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> November.***

## **Planning and Public Realm committee**

Nigel provided the update.

- WCC were meant to have asked Neighbourhood Forum's for their views on short lets to feed into the Gov't consultation. If there's any additional commentary that people want to make it's still possible to do so via WCC or direct.
- WCC will issue their Local Development Scheme schedule in a couple of weeks which will set out their programme for new policies and SPD's. These will include policies on Affordable Housing and Planning obligations (Q1/23), Demolition & Retrofit and Site Allocations. Also in 2023 we will see a new Public Realm SPD and an updated Environment SPD. There is no proposal for a Heritage SPD. New City Plan in 2025.
- Cllr Barraclough confirmed that NCIL could be used for maintaining as well as building infrastructure and also for preparing Conservation Area Audits – a change of policy. NH recommended that a CAA for Mayfair should be pursued by the MNF/CIL Committee to provide a basis against which future developments in Mayfair could be assessed.
- WCC to circulate new draft guidance on CIL later this month for comment. Key for NCIL is to satisfy the Regs and to provide value for money.



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- P&PRC had received a presentation on an underground hotel at 77 Park Lane. It was agreed that this should be supported subject to a contribution to the green route and controls over deliveries.
- The meeting agreed that the proposed road closures around the SMT project made sense and should be supported.

***Action: Nigel and Eric to discuss whether the MNF should prepare a CIL application for a Conservation Area Audit.***

## **CIL committee**

Eric provided the update on the CIL committee.

- Close to agreement with WCC on underplanting of the Mount St piazza
- Preferred bidder selected for the CCTV pilot with contracts being finalised
- WCC supportive of Mayfair Green Route
- Need to prepare an action plan for future CIL projects

## **Comms committee**

Jace provided the update. November newsletter to members is planned. Working on cleansing the MNF membership database and looking into how to communicate beyond email updates.

## **AOB**

- Gordon thanked Jace for his contribution to the MNF
- Gordon met with Cllr Geoff Barraclough, who raised concerns about lack of spend of neighbourhood CIL. Cllr Barraclough also suggested that they would like applications for Strategic CIL funding and Gordon asked for ideas from the Steering Group on projects that the MNF could put forwards.

***Action: Steering Group to put forward initiatives for CIL funding.***