

# Agenda Mayfair Neighbourhood Forum Steering Committee Online Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023 3pm

# **Steering Group participants**

Gordon Morrison (GM) (Chair) Resident Paul O'Grady (PO'G) **Business** Father Dominic Robinson (FDR) Community Jeremy Bishop (JB) Resident Edward Watts (EW) Resident Dee Corsi (DC) Community Belinda Harley (BH) Resident Sandeep Bhalla (SB) **Business** Zaria Pinchbeck (ZP) Resident

# **Apologies**

Graham Barnes (GB) Community
Charles Owen (CO) Business
Natasha Mitchell (NM) Community
Giles Easter (GE) Business

### In Attendance

Nigel Hughes (NH) Planning and Public Realm Chair
Catherine Jenkins (CJ) Marketing and Communications
Cllr Jessica Toale (CPF) Westminster City Council

### Invited

Heather Clarke (HC) Westminster City Council

Ligia Teixeira (LT)

Greg Hurst (GH)

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# Chairman's Update and Approval of Minutes from June Steering Group (GM)

- The June minutes were approved.
- The date of the General Meeting has been confirmed as 16<sup>th</sup> August at 5pm, and invitations have been sent out.
- A meeting was held with GM, POG and JB to discuss the upcoming renewal, which will be discussed at the upcoming General Meeting.

### **Unsociable Behaviour and Rough Sleeping**

- The Centre of Homelessness Impact team gave a presentation about the issues of rough sleeping in Mayfair and potential ways the MNF could be involved in a pilot project to reduce homelessness.
- Various options were presented with their estimated costs.



- Questions were posed around recruitment, the transience of the homeless in Mayfair and there
  was agreement to explore the more innovative proposals
- Various directors raised the importance of understanding what the role of the Forum would be
  with regard to homelessness and specifically what any funds would go towards. This would be
  important in order not to duplicate any other efforts and also in terms of potential fundraising
- In terms of next steps, DC and HC suggested mapping pilot projects against ongoing work within Westminster, to understand the gaps and not give rise to duplication. **ACTION Centre for Homelessness Impact to work with WCC on understanding potential next steps**
- ACTION The full report to be circulated to the Steering Group
- The issue of safety and police presence was also highlighted as a growing concern. It was suggested that the new borough commander may join a future MNF meeting.

# Park Lane NCIL Application (NH)

• Original fees for NRP were £60,000 +VAT. WCC Highways wanted additional modelling to be carried out, with a new total funding need of £75,000. Approval was given for this revised funding request.

### Shepherds' Market NCIL Application (EW)

- Approval was given for a £40,000 CIL application to contribute to the public realm works.
- Public consultation on the scheme is ongoing held by Westminster Council.

### **AOB**

- A sub-group is still working on reconciling the £40k outstanding on NCIL funds with a meeting next week with the Westminster CIL team (GM)
- A meeting will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> July with the Curzon Cinema architects presenting the scheme (NH)
- 49-50 Berkeley Square has been acquired by the Caprice Group with a meeting to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> August (NH)
- It was noted that there are a lot of consultations ongoing affecting the Mayfair area. Details are found below, together with details around the ongoing consultations regarding the Belgravia and St James's Neighbourhood Plans (NH):
  - Oxford Street <a href="https://www.westminster.gov.uk/oxford-street-programme-consultation">https://www.westminster.gov.uk/oxford-street-programme-consultation</a>
  - Park Lane Result of TfL consultation <a href="https://haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/park-lane">https://haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/park-lane</a>
  - 28 St George Street <a href="https://28stgeorgestreet.co.uk/">https://28stgeorgestreet.co.uk/</a>
  - o Regent Street <a href="https://www.westminster.gov.uk/news/have-your-say-future-regent-street">https://www.westminster.gov.uk/news/have-your-say-future-regent-street</a>
  - Shepherd Market <a href="https://www.westminster.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/roads-and-highways/proposed-highways-improvements-shepherd-market">https://www.westminster.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/roads-and-highways/proposed-highways-improvements-shepherd-market</a>
  - Belgravia Neighbourhood Plan (Regulation 16) <a href="https://www.westminster.gov.uk/planning-building-control-and-environmental-regulations/planning-policy/neighbourhood-areas-forums-and-plans/belgravia-neighbourhood-plan">https://www.westminster.gov.uk/planning-building-control-and-environmental-regulations/planning-policy/neighbourhood-areas-forums-and-plans/belgravia-neighbourhood-plan</a>
  - St James's Neighbourhood Forum (Regulation 14) <a href="https://stjamesforum.org">https://stjamesforum.org</a>