

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LONDON FIELDS WARD FORUM

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY, 2015

Councillors Present: Cllr Anntoinette Bramble, Cllr M Can Ozsen and Cllr Emma Plouviez

2 Council's Draft Licensing Policy

2 Cycling & Transport Issues

Proposed road closures – Middleton Road

- Emma Browning and Chris Proctor (Streetscene) introduced proposals for trial road closures around Middleton Road as a way of reducing rat running and restricting access to pedestrians and cyclists.
- Measures discussed are use of temporary bollards / crash barriers / plant boxes; residents will be informed in advance of trial commencing before end of 2015.
- Council's wider 10-year transport strategy is still being finalised
- Concerns were raised regarding shared cycling / pedestrian pathways through London Fields, whilst some felt diverting the cycling route via Sheep Lane rather than through Broadway Market would benefit all users

3 Broadway Market

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- Alistair (Broadway Market Traders & Residents Association) responded to issue of pavement encroachment by clarifying that all businesses must allow 1.8 metres between kerb and outdoor tables. Monitoring is carried out by BMTRA and Market Inspectors; breaches of encroachment can be reported to Licencing Enforcement or Cllr Plouviez
- Franco Manca – waste disposal problems have been addressed with the management, discussions over crowds on pavement outside shop with possible option of installing cordon
- Alistair also asserted that pedestrianisation would harm businesses, whilst alternative measures (convert delivery to loading bays, extend vehicle weight restrictions to BM) may provide better solutions
- Community event on BM proposed for August

4 Basement Conversions

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- Cllrs Plouviez & Bramble to raise concerns at Enforcement working group

5 Miscellaneous

BBQs & noise in London Fields

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- New toilet facilities, fences near the Lansdowne Road houses and increased police presence has gone some way in addressing past complaints
- Noise and excessive drinking during the day remains difficult issues for Council to enforce

Lido

- Swimming concessions for over 60's are not currently provided at the Lido in order to prevent overcrowding and maintain safe environment
- Concern raised over number of private lessons restricting regular users, perhaps issue to be raised at negotiations when current GLL contract expires

Miscellaneous

- Vacant site on Lansdowne Drive – Council does have plans for development but no recent update
- Parking on Queensbridge Road on double-yellow lines – Cllr Bramble to raise matter at meeting with Police Safer Neighbourhood Team
- Drainage at Lansdowne Drive / Broadway Market junction – matter resolved