

Broomfield Home-owners and Residents Association.

Annual General Meeting. Tuesday 11th June 2013. 7.15pm-9.30pm.

Broomfield School. Wilmer Way N14.

Present: G. Yeung (in the Chair), Retiring Committee Members C. Chenier, L. Davenport, E. Chinnick, A. Forsyth & P. Forsyth, and approximately 60 attendees.

Apologies: Cllrs Brett and Sitkin. Peter Pate.

1. **Pinkham Way Alliance update**

Jeff Lever. Jeff gave an overview of the campaign to date, pointing out that the site has fauna and flora that needs to be protected, the A406 continues to be congested and can't take all the extra vehicles associated with the site if it goes ahead, that Pinkham Way is completely the wrong location for such a large depot. December 2012 NLWA admitted they had used incorrect waste projection figures. Waste management technology is changing all the time and the procurement document and process was ill conceived. PWA recommends that a number of small facilities are built and requirements are assessed over time. 2 weeks ago a formal complaint was made to the district auditor pointing out that the scheme is not efficient, effective or economical.

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Q. Laurence Manning questioned the site category. He believes the site should be used for waste management; the new build would mean decontamination of the site. Stephen Brice pointed out that Arups had tested the site and confirmed that it's not contaminated.

2. **Palmers Greenery Café**

Sarah Cotton. Sarah and her team have won the café tender and hope to have the venue up and running by the autumn. They anticipate an £80,000 profit over a 5 year period to be ploughed back into by a variety of park initiatives.

Question. Why has it taken so long to get to this point? The council didn't have all the required protocols in place.

3. **Palmers Green Festival, 1st September 2013**

Karl Brown. Last years the festival had 86 stalls, live music throughout the day and a funfair. 6000 people attended the event and £6000 profit was made. £4000 has been given in grants to the Ruth Winston Centre and Explorers who are working on some amazing projects together and Talkies cinema. For 2013 events leading up to the festival are planned, to take place in the library, cafes, Burford Hall. Check website for details of this year's event.

4. **Address by Joanne McCartney, London Assembly Member**

Ms. McCartney explained that her job is to represent us, how the committee system at City Hall works and how the assembly calls the Mayor to account through Mayors Question Time.

- (ii) Joanne has asked for an update re Milton Grove/Telford Road (A406) junction.
- (iii) Changes in welfare system means that some people are moving out of Enfield whilst others are moving in.
- (iv) Joanne has read the BHORA NCAAP submission and has used some sections of it in her own response.
- (v) We should expect a reduction in community policing, Southgate police station is to be sold off when a buyer for the building found and no-one knows at the moment where our community police will be based.

- (vi) She is aware of our concerns regarding A406 and house building. Explained that LBE has to comply with the London Plan and that the North Circular Area Action Plan does just that. The Mayor believes that the AAP will bring general improvement to the area. The Mayor's only concern is that there is not enough social housing in what has come through so far.
- (vii) Because NHHT submit their schemes as separate planning applications none are big enough to be dealt with by the GLA.
- (viii) LBE grant planning permission to NHHT because the schemes comply with planning regulations and also because the LBE does not want to incur the cost of appeal.
- (ix) A member of the audience complained about consultation process and the amount of time the public have had to read through and understand documentation associated with a planning application. 2.5minutes to speak is not long enough at a planning committee.
- (x) S106 money. There is a presumption that the money will be spent in our area.
- (xi) The Mayor has a Roads Task Force who will look into quality of life along arterial roads including A406.
- (xii) Question from public. What's the point of councillors, meetings etc. when they don't work for us. They don't seem to take any notice of what people want.
- (xiii) Does the London Plan really expect so many homes on such a small stretch of road?
- (xiv) Comments made in previous AAP consultations have not been taken into account.
- (xv) Member of audience said that the planning committee is being cowardly and need to take a more robust stance.
- (xvi) Jo Irons pointed out that school places, doctors surgeries etc. need to be provided as new families move into the area, not at the end of the house building programme.
- (xvii) Ladderswood estate rebuild: Social housing provision had dropped to 28.8%, parking spaces dropped to 0.5 per dwelling and parking space will be shared with the 80-bed hotel to be built. It was pointed out that the area already has to manage Post Office vans. Joanne said that she would look into parking provision with councillors.
- (xviii) Simon from Westminster Drive said that the latest NHHT planning application has had some minor alterations made to it but it has failed to address the problems of density, access and parking.
- (xix) Terry Peacock explained that Joanne needs to be aware of the impact all the new homes ie. NHHT, Ladderswood Estate an all those proposed around Arnos tube etc. will have on the area and that the infrastructure just isn't there.
- (xx) Margaret complained about the amount of money NHHT have received in grants.
- (xxi) Derek pointed out that it is hard to know what is being used to determine how much development can take place in the area and that he had was concerned how PTALS are being used.
- (xxii) No one, not council, GLA, NHHT were taking any notice of the impact these developments will make on the present community.
- (xxiii) It was suggested that we need a Neighbourhood Plan.
- (xxiv) NHHT are behaving like private developers.
- (xxv) The council should not be putting families into homes on such a busy polluted road.
- (xxvi) NHHT have installed ugly industrial fences in the area.
- (xxvii) Roland said that NHHT don't like bad publicity, maybe this is our way forward.

Session ended.

5. Annual General Meeting

The meeting moved into the formal Annual General Meeting where all committee members stand down and a new committee is elected.

1. There was no executive report and no presentation of the accounts.
2. The Chair (Gillian Yeung) requested a 'cooling off' period regarding the election of the committee. A vote was taken, 18 people wanted an election and 2 people wanted to wait.
3. L. davenport then took the Chair for election of the Chair.

a. Candidates for Chair and results:

- i. Gillian Yeung (seconder – Ernie Chinnick) 10 votes
 - ii. Caroline Chenier (seconder – Roger Turner) 16 votes
- Caroline Chenier elected as Chair.

C. Chenier then took the chair.

b. Honorary Secretary: here were no nominations and the post was left vacant.

c. Honorary Treasurer: D. Honnor was proposed by R. Blows and seconded by C. Chenier. With no other nominations D. Honnor was elected unopposed. Mrs. Yeung promised to have financial records handed over by a solicitor in due course.

d. Committee: Andrea Forsyth was elected as a committee member, responsible for the website.

A vote of thanks went to Gillian for her dedication to BHORA over so many years.