

Kensal Triangle Residents Association

Meeting 14 March 2018, 7.30pm in the Club Room at the Paradise

Chair: Dave Hallbery

Minutes: Jenny Guest

Present: Councillor Eleanor Southwood; Chris Yearly and Cheyenne Green from Everyone Active (Moberly Sports Centre)

Dave Hallbery welcomed everyone to the meeting including Chris Yearly and Cheyenne Green. Cllr Southwood joined the meeting for item 5.

1. Moberly Sports Centre

Chris Yearly reported that the new Sports Centre on Chamberlayne Road is on track to open on 16th June. He hoped for a very positive relationship with KTRA and other residents groups in the area and would arrange for KTRA members to visit and feedback. He outlined the various concessions and discounts for children, older people and local residents, which Avril will put on the KTRA website. Pilates classes and personal trainers will be available and there are plans for numerous other sporting events including boxing, gym events and volleyball tournaments. He was concerned to have a community focus and suggested KTRA could use the community room at the Centre for meetings. There will only be disabled and schools parking. Action Avril

2. Kensal Corridor Improvements - Consultation results

Avril reported that there had been a very positive response to the consultation. Of the 659 respondents, 80% supported the proposal. She would put details on the KTRA website. The next stage would be a detailed design consultation lasting from October to December, taking into account comments and feedback. There would be another meeting in the autumn and it was possible that work might begin in 2019 at the southern end. TFL was backing this scheme so it was unlikely that the Council would let it drop. Action Avril

3. Rat Run and 20mph Consultation

Dave noted that he had first raised this issue 9 years ago. Rush hour traffic was still blocking Regent Street and Wellington Road, due to people trying to avoid heavy traffic on Harrow Road. One solution might be to make Wellington Road one way. Sandor Fazekas of Brent Transport Services was examining the matter with a consultant from Urban Flow (transport planning consultants).

4. The Street Party on Saturday 9th June

Ruth reported that plans were going well for the street party and flyers had been delivered. There would be music, food and children's activities. Among the many stands would be The Moberly Sport Centre and the Mayhew Animal Home and one with examples of trees to be planted on local streets. Ruth said they still needed:

- volunteers to do more leafletting
- putting up posters
- setting up on the morning of the 9th
- a big trestle table
- smaller tables and chairs
- plants for the plant stall (with plant name and care instructions please) and
- plates of food to share, freshly cooked or prepared on the day for the buffet; sweet or savoury.

The manageress of Tesco Metro on Chamberlayne Road had kindly donated flowers and disposable plates & cups for the event. Another donation of plates and cups was gratefully accepted and would be used for a future event.

5. Discussion with Cllr Eleanor Southwood and Cllr Neil Nerva

Cllr Southwood said Cllrs Nerva and Denselow were unable to attend and sent their apologies. Following the local elections James Denselow had been appointed Chair of the Planning Committee and she was now the Lead Member for Housing & Welfare Reform. She said that although Cllr Tatler was now Lead Member for Regeneration, Highways & Planning, she herself would still be involved with the Kensal Corridor project as she had been involved from the beginning - and was still a 'champion' for the area. Cllrs Denselow and Nerva would also remain involved. The Kensal Corridor Consultation Group had had one meeting since the local elections and one of the matters raised had been the loss of parking at Kensal Rise Station. This was still under discussion, with more input needed from the community. In response to a question about progress on the safer crossing at Harrow Rd/Ladbroke Grove, she said that Sandor Fazekas was seeking a meeting with all concerned and she would press him to expedite this.

6. Any Other Business

The Notting Hill Carnival - parking restrictions would remain the same as for last year.

Avril had booked a stall at the Queens Park open day 2019 and would need helpers.

Recent crime figures for the area would be available the following week; Avril would email them.
Action Avril

7. Date and Chair of Next Meeting

Provisionally 17th July, after the street party but before the school holidays. To be confirmed.

Dave thanked everyone and closed the meeting at 8.50 pm.