Meeting Minutes - 17 Jan 2017

Chair - Jay Venn Minutes - Andy Bradfield

1. Harrow Road Ladbroke Grove Crossing

10 years trying to get safe pedestrian phase put in Its finally been given the green light - in 2017 Well done to all involved - Its been a long process

2. Chamberlain corridor Study

Cllr. Ellie Southwood

A little while chamberlain road area opportunity to improve

Congestion, Air pollution etc, Not safe enough - lots of issue's

Could do with a rethink.

All associations x 4 KTRA - KRRA - APRATA - QPARA All together overseen - with Urban Flow Identify opportunity's of what can be done.

Report about to go on council website

https://www.brent.gov.uk/your-community/regeneration/chamberlayne-road/

Partly for Traffic moves, Greener environment

Need to find money to make it happen via TfL

Consult group with RA & Cllr's & Council officers

Council Officers meeting TFL - finding as much money as they can

TFL - focus:- healthier street's - exactly what trying to do

Not a quick process 2 to 5 years maybe

Need as much input as possible from residents - trying to find what will work, and make a long term strategy

Money is a big part of this

Some stuff will be guick - some will take longer - hence trying to make a plan

Q:- Will traffic light's affect speed of flow? - not sure - but think not Looking at whole stretch - from Harrow Road to the Lexi Cinema

Buses

Bus routes taken away - not part of this - is separate TFL consultation about buses and making them as affixing as possible, and no overlap where its not necessary

The current plan from TFL is to Remove the 452

There is anxiety around bus congestion, and trying to solve it.

But also having excellent bus transportation as well.

Cllr Southwood - She now has written confirmation - 5 of the routes will be **greener** buses from 2018

David O.Brian:- Q: is it all the buses? A: no it's 5, and there is 7 in total on this corridor.

Not solving entirely - but will have a big impact to start wth.

Kirsty:- would the End of Wakeman ever be re-opened? A:- No different issue - unlikely to ever happen, was closed to stop the rat run & also for safety, as had been accident's. Won't solve anything - likely to cause more issue's

Suggestion to look at the website report. INSERT LINK

Cllr. Denselow - report is a good thing, will help the area. It's not happening elsewhere in the borough! So we are in a very good place.

Ruth:- zebra at end of buller road - traffic fast - people don't stop.

Perhaps this can form part of the process

Masha - crossing bad - beacons not lit - drivers go behind.......cllr to report for now.

Ruth - best way to feed back idea's?

Ellie: - happy to look at feedback - perhaps arrange a meeting in the spring time to move forward? Ellie happy to receive people's thoughts - perhaps if people cannot attend the spring meeting can still have their thoughts considered.

David:- where will money come from? - Ellie:- TFL pot's of money primarily. Council resource is tight - council have to find what TFL/GLA/Mayor can contribute to the scheme.

Ruth - Is section 106 money from the Moberely Applicable? For local improvements. Ellie:- May be able to make available for part of the improvement. need to look into.

3. Cemetery report

Julie resident - first meeting Friends - heritage at risk - etc etc

3 topics

Anglican chapel Wall Monuments

Anglican Chapel not being looked after - cemetery can't do on it's own as it is a company - Had meeting with the Churches Conservation trust - promising meeting - more news to come.

The Wall - wall is still mostly down, some bays replaced now - insufficient scaffolding on unsafe bit's - causing issues - easy to access - being rebuilt - not until next year - 20 bays at the moment - cost very high - 10 or 20 more quite likely - close to a million in total

Do they put in better temporary wall? - Perhaps sturdier - no decision yet.

JAY - bit vague - no costing' when asked! No facts yet

Possibly railing's - temporary fencing - like school fence - oblong mesh - nicer than chainlink - but open mesh fencing - Worried that this will be all that is done!

English heritage - now heritage England. No future date for ongoing works.

JAY: - wall replacement more expensive than you can believe

Hannah:- temporary might be better than nothing

Mollie:-The 2 rebuilt bay's very good -

Crowd fund the wall - all kinds of idea's have been talked about - but it seems to go very slowly

Monuments - there are 165 historical - 33 are at risk - Team say 7 are being worked on & in progress to be restored.

JAY - one of the monuments being worked on - currently main avenue - only time they are ever going to be opened up!!!! Go and look!

Avril:- exhibition Dissenters Chapel - women artists looks interesting - go & see it! Open's on 26th January

Ruth: maybe mesh fencing - if keeps secure - then maybe a better idea than what we have currently.

4. 705 harrow road planning application

Bags of love building - Going to planning - meeting this week

Recomended for approval

KTRA - still worried about the vet centre

Still a floor too high

JAY;- done best to mitigate the new site - rentable office space - and residential.

JAY - since Kingisholt court - highest point - everyone using as a reference - and people going ever higher as it dwarf's the existing.

Daylight survey put in - but didn't;t seem to make much difference to the outcome.

James - planning legislation cut back - record amounts of

Less officers, less lawyers - hard to quasi judicial

S106 - CIL - Community Infrastructure Levy

Not 100% how it will work

Money will be used locally - for projects or infrastructure

Money is fir the local economy - but as yet untested.

David - is the Moberely section 106? Not sure where that goes

Ellie - will find out where it's going (Moberely)

5. Landers Planning Application Postponed to February

Avril:-

KTRA Awarded **English heritage Angels Award** - to recognise efforts of KTRA in saving the monumental mason's on Harrow Road

Now LISTED GRADE 2!

6. Play Street's

Section of a street - closed for a day to allow outside activities

Ellie: getting people to be active - council will be paying for the traffic order's - road closure

The street - can be rotated - as necessary. Details on the Brent website

Mollie - basketball hoop - then got removed

James - junior park run (Organised)

Ruth - play street - they are there with parents - should not be damage to gardens!

David - Traffic free - not nescisarily Car free (Difference) idea is to BUILD community and use the streets other than just walking down them!

7. Air Quality Monitoring

David: early - meeting's others RA - Thursday - will report back

Monitoring - shows we have bad air quality

May be able to get monitoring put in - to get report back.

Very busy & polluted area - needs looking at

Avril:- be good if we could do it - will sponsor 5 of the monitor's from fund's

James: - According to EU Law - already breached in 6 days.

Bevond safe limit's

New major - pushing to get the air cleaner

Ellie - pushing to get safer air - will be at meeting. Raising awareness. Make it real & look at the action plan - will be wider consultation - and will be open to KTRA once started.

Anti Idling - fining people - hard because of resources

ANDY - mixed messages - because of diesel was encouraged - Brent doing a surcharge in 2018 for diesel cars.

Tracey - why if mayor is fighting pollution - why have network rail cuts down banks - why is network rail allowed

(Write a letter to the mayor?)

JAY - tree's on sloping sight;s managed - brutal - huge swathes - all at once- if you don't manage the branches get huge or rip off. 95% of tree's will sprout again - looks terrible for a while - get wild flower meadow's -

Clear felling - is what's been done - different flora - but they don't consult.

Do we have any recourse over how this is done? - think it's unlikely?

James: - chop first ask later - legal issues

Hannah: air quality massive issues - asma related issues

David: idle - what is the fine - how long?

Ellie - local authority has the power to fine £20 - it's more educational

David: - it doesn't; seem to be used

Fred: people idling all the time - power to people?

Avril: - it's all linked - Conservation area plane tree's have not been pollarded - why has it not been done?

Pat - eu=Ducati get people - car pooling - Canada - pressure to do it

Dave - shorter distance so less nescesary.

Masha: cheating by car companies - don't know where the money goes?

James - air text alerts - subscribe - kings college - north borough - more car's less public transport - politically it's a hot potatoes

Mollie. Dog mess now a taboo

Jav: how long before it's a problem

Andy - speed bumps very inefficient for fuel - pollution

8. Next Door

Good site Cat missing - Compton - oscar Good app

James - cleaner Brent app! - report anything you see.

9. Christmas Tree Recycling

Av - xmas tree recycling

Ellie - we can have next year

Hannah - still has tree - ways told to get artificial one

Ellie - 22 drop off points - idea 1 for each ward.

What can be done - there is still a lot of them.

Perhaps a closer place next year (Not Queen's Park)

10. Corner Shop Bins

Blocks road + used as a toilet

Carnival time it's used as a toilet

Orange bin - it's private land - shop own it.

People buy alcohol in shop + leave bottles outset - and really out of hand.

Moved to neared the front of shop - still at side - and it's made it more narrow

Jay: What can be done?

James - few things - abs behaviour -

Ellie - bin needs moving to better place -

Masha - people in shops using it - and don't know about the every day collection.....

Jay - lots of issue - can it be looked at.also broken glass. Not totally pubs fault - but to be look at urgently.

11. Wakeman Road Open Space

At Gold Building

End of wakeman road

Left in a hell of a state

Elec sub station being done

But nothing done

They said - it was clean - which is not - and the paving fixed.

Avril - Have contacted developers.

Ellie - see if can get it taken up

11. AOB

Fred
Traffic cutting through
Rat run
No enforcement.

Andy - needs to be some way to slow people down.

Wakeman road - speed problem

Ruth - don't think civilian arrest is right.

David - traffic cctv cars? - james no not allowed! Now.

Bernard: wakeman road - chamberlayne road - come back from shopping car's very fast.

James - Neil to look at -

David - any method of enforcing?

Jay - needs a longer discussion -

JAMES - Tues 24th - Salisbury school - refugee crisis + budget

Tracey - pavement's - rubbish - pizza boxes - broken glass 3 month's after carnival

Julie - Cleaner Brent app - links

Martin - big problem blue bin's - every 2 of 4 weeks - just leave in the gate - all over the Triangle.

Have asked - it's in the contract - but the bin men do not do it - in the contract!!

Also a security issue - as obvious you are out.

Hannah - not put the little bin in the large bin! Nearly fall in to get it out!!