

Minutes from Moorings Neighbourhood Forum

13th May 2019

Waterways Children's Centre, 17.30 to 19.30

Minutes and notes from the last Forum meeting (18th March 2019)

Deborah Frimpong, Chair (DF) talked through the minutes from the last meeting and these were agreed. The minutes will be available on the Moorings Neighbourhood Forum (MNF) website <https://mooringsneighbourhoodforum.home.blog/>

Getting the Moorings Neighbourhood Forum designated by RB Greenwich (RBG)

Giles Piercy said that RBG are currently carrying out their consultation and encouraged everyone to participate in the consultation. The deadline for this is 24th May 2019

Follow this link:

<https://consultations.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/kms/dmart.aspx?LoggingIn=tempVar&strTab=PublicDMart&noip=1> go to page 2. You can't submit comments on line - *"To provide comments, please email planning.policy@royalgreenwich.gov.uk or write to Planning Policy, Royal Borough of Greenwich, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, London SE18 6HQ."*

Old Moorings Social Club and the Byron Close Arches

Verity Jane Keefe gave an update about progress with plans for the Old Moorings Social Club and Byron Close Arches. Her presentation will shortly be available on the Moorings website.

Verity is keen to set up a steering group of Forum members (and others) who wish to play more of a role in understanding and contributing to the plans. We would hope that this group is seen as representing the views of the Forum and is able to feedback to the Forum the progress of the plans. Please could you let Verity hello@verityjanekeefe.co.uk and Giles Piercy, gilespiercy@localitymatters.co.uk, 07710 381 436 know if you would like to be part of the group? Verity is particularly keen to have representation from the following groups:

1. Young person (under 25)
2. Faith Leader
3. Shopkeeper
4. Gardening (for Landscape / Arches / Outdoor spaces)

Budget

Giles Piercy gave a brief update about the budget discussion that had recently taken place with a subgroup of the committee. The Forum has approximately £15,000 of available budget, if we assume that further funding is likely to be available from Locality. In summary the subgroup set out the following priorities for the Forum over the next 12 months and indicated areas of spend that would likely be required to deliver these priorities:

Priorities

1. Achieving some quick wins related to the priorities that emerged as part of the consultation carried out last year
2. Work in conjunction with local groups to find ways to support different activities. For example, the Forum might sponsor something at the festival or might offer a grant of £500 available to any youth group that has a good idea
3. To meaningfully influence the plans for the old Moorings Social Club and Byron Close Arches
4. To substantially raise the profile of the Forum over the next year
 - a. Better website
 - b. Clearer branding
 - c. Attendance at events
 - d. Merchandise (e.g. T-shirts, Fridge Magnets etc)
5. Have moved closer to developing a Neighbourhood Plan
6. Have a clear budget and funding in place for the 2020/2021 year

Likely areas of spend - all to be discussed before budget is approved

#	Item	£
1	Consultancy support	£7,500
2	Food	£2,000
3	Promotion	£3,000
4	Supporting events	£2,000
5	Contingency / what already spent	£500
	TOTAL	£15,000

Dave Rugg asked if further details about the budget discussions would be available to Forum members. Giles Piercy said that yes this would be presented at future Forum meetings and would be available on the website.

Compagnie XY artists (Festival Acrobats)

Kevin Wratten and Imogen Thomas gave an update about the plans for the acrobats in the summer. Full details about this can be found in appendix A . For more details please contact Kevin directly:

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 Circus Producer
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Environmental Services update

Steve Pyke gave an update about recent changes to the Environmental services team. There has been significant investment in and restructuring of this team in the last 12 months resulting in significant improvements to the parks, shrubbery and waterways. Further details about this improvement can be found in Steve's presentation available on the Moorings Website. Steve asked the audience if they had noticed an improvement in recent months - and overwhelmingly they confirmed that they had.

Steve said that anyone should feel free to contact him directly with any issues or concerns they have relating to environmental services Steve.pyke@peabody.org.uk 07766 140922

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Young Foundation research

Gez Kellaghan mentioned some research that the Young Foundation are carrying out in the Moorings and they want to work with residents to understand what it is like growing up and living in the Moorings. If your child is in year 6 to 9 they would love to hear from you. They would invite you to share experiences at events to help improve the community. In exchange for your time you'll also earn shopping vouchers worth £70.

If you are interested in taking part or want more information email zoe.dibb@youngfoundation.org or text or Whatsapp 07867 301235.

Neighbourhood Watch

Cheryl Spruce shared information about local Neighbourhood watch. Lots more information can be found here www.greenwichnhwconnect.org or email Cheryl directly on greenwichnhwnetwork@gmail.com . Also, Crime, Safety and Anti-Social Behaviour will be on the agenda for the next Forum meeting.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Forum will be on Monday 8th July at 17.30 and Tracey Megson very kindly offered to host the meeting again at Waterways Children's Centre. Forum meeting dates for the remainder of this year below:

- Monday 2nd September
- Monday 28th October
- Monday 16th December

Deborah Frimpong

Chair

20th May 2019