

Minutes from Moorings Neighbourhood Forum, Committee Meeting

5th March 2019

Waterways Children's Centre, 17.30 to 19.30

Attendees:

- Deborah Frimpong, Local resident (Chair) (DF)
- Patricia Reilly, Local Resident (Secretary) (PR)
- Sue Pollock, Christian Life Centre (Treasurer), (SP)
- Titilope Durojaiye, Seniors in Touch (Media) (TD)
- Averil Lekau, Cllr RBG (AL)
- Beatrice Anaman, Local Resident (BA)
- Chiamaka Muoneke, Local resident (CM)
- Derek Sewell, Titmuss Avenue Baptist Church (DS)
- Tracey Megson, Waterways (TM)
- Giles Piercy, Locality Matters (GP)
- Rachel Wicks, Peabody (RW)

Apologies:

- Claire Hallinan, Hawksmoor Youth Club (CH)
- Julius Ariko, Local Resident (JA)
- Lisa Walsh, Waterways (LW)
- Paul Power, Local Resident (Vice Chair) (PP)
- Suzanne Reilly, Local Resident (SR)

1. Welcome

DF opened the meeting and thanked TM for hosting the meeting at Waterways Children's Centre

2. Apologies

See above

3. Declaration of interest

GP declared potential conflict of interest related to the budget agenda item

4. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

DS suggested that the forum meeting scheduled for 23rd December 2019 should be changed. It was agreed to change this to the 16th December 2019.

Action 1 - GP to send out new invite for 16th December.

RW said that her name should replace LH's name against some of the actions.

Action 2 - GP to change minutes.

Relating to action point 15 of previous minutes RW has asked the Peabody Youth team to let her know how many Young Ambassadors are from the Moorings and will report back to Committee.

Action 3 - RW to report numbers of Young Ambassadors that live in the Moorings.

We discussed the Lee Forum and SP agreed to chase them for a date to visit. Further details about Lee can be found here <http://leeforum.org.uk> . The Lee Forum contains land in both Greenwich and Lewisham.

Action 4 - SP to arrange date for visit to Lee forum.

Action 5 - RW agreed to provide further details about the distribution of the Thamesmead Newsletter.

Action 6 - GP agreed to distribute details about timetable for the Earwig Press.

5. Update on designation of the Forum

GP shared print outs of the latest version of the draft application. GP stated that he had received feedback from both Catherine McRory (RBG) and Stuart Woodin (Aecom) about the application. This feedback will be included in the next version of the application.

There was a discussion about the process for getting the forum designated. GP stated that according to Catherine McRory this decision was delegated to officers within RBG. AL stated that whilst accurate it was possible for Cllrs to “Call in” the decision.

It was agreed that the proposed name of the Forum be “Moorings Neighbourhood Forum”.

AL also asked that the position of Cllrs on the application be made clear.

Most of the discussion focussed on the boundary. There is a feeling, from some, that the residents of Poplar Place should be included within the boundary. It was agreed that we would continue to consider this and hopefully make a decision before the Forum meeting on the 18th March. It was agreed that GP would make changes to the application based on feedback and would circulate the revised application to all committee members by Friday 8th March and give committee members the deadline of Wednesday 13th March to respond - this is really the last possible date for sending papers out to the Forum (prior to 18th March).

GP also agreed to include much larger and clearer map in the next iteration of the application.

Action 7 - GP to update application and send out to committee.

6. Discussion re Lorraine Cox

DF gave a short update about the conversation she had with Lorraine Cox relating to plans for the festival (across Thamesmead) and other plans for activities in the Moorings. Various activities underway such as supporting PP with the Logo competition. There is a plan for acrobats and involvement in the 70th anniversary celebrations of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Lorraine Cox has been invited to give a fuller update to the Forum on 18th March.

7. Moorings Logo Competition

Unfortunately, PP was unable to make the meeting but will provided update via email.

8. Budget for 2019 / 2010

SP set out at a high level some of the budget items that were under consideration by the Committee.

GP stated that the budget availability from Peabody is as follows:

- Remaining budget for 2018 / 2019 = £500 (inc. VAT)
- Budget for 2019 / 2020 = £10,000 (inc. Vat)

In addition to this budget GP stated that there is a very good chance that the forum will be eligible to apply for further funding of approximately £5,000 from Locality - so far £3,700 of £9,000 has been claimed.

AL stated that there is also a possibility for applying for funding from Greenwich ward Cllrs but that any funds would need to be for specific projects rather than funding ongoing activity.

It was agreed that the Committee should press ahead with current plans for setting up a bank account and that the key activity to release future funding from Peabody would be to have a plan and associated budget developed. The committee (and Forum) need to decide what the priorities are for the coming year and what budget will be required to support the delivery of these plans.

SP mention that the finance committee are meeting on the 12th March and that following that meeting SP would update the Committee and Forum with progress on developing the plan and associated budget.

Action 8 - SP to feedback to committee and Forum following budget sub-committee meeting on 12th March 2019.

9. Date for next meeting

Invitations have been sent out for all meetings.

Next Forum meeting 18th March 2019 17.30 at Waterways Children's Centre

Next Committee meeting 1st April 2019 17.30 at Waterways Children's Centre

TM reminded the committee that two creche staff had been booked for the next Forum meeting.

AL supported this and suggested that a budget be set aside for Creche staff for all future meetings.

TM said that the Forum were welcome to use Waterways Children's Centre for all future meetings.

10. AOB

GP suggested that with all the other meetings going on there is a risk of a lack of transparency. It was agreed that minutes from other meetings and sub groups would be made available on the website.

Action 9 - TD to add other minutes, agendas etc. to Moorings website.

AL offered to send to the Moorings Forum email (mooringsnf@gmail.com) details about training and Grant opportunities that may be available to the forum.

Action 10 - AL to send details about grants and training.

Action 11 - RW to send further details about training to the forum and will also connect PR and DF to Kelly Sullivan relating to training opportunities.

Action 12 - AL to forward alerts to the Moorings NF email relating to when planning decisions are due to be taken relating to the Moorings area.

DF reminded everyone that Peabody will be carrying out a “tour” of the Moorings properties. This will start at The Link on 20th March at 09.45.

Summary actions

| | Action | Who | Status |
|----|---|-----|--------|
| 1 | Send out new invite for 16 th December | GP | |
| 2 | Change minutes | GP | |
| 3 | Report numbers of Young Ambassadors that live in the Moorings | RW | |
| 4 | Arrange date for visit to Lee forum | SP | |
| 5 | Provide further details about the distribution of the Thamesmead Newsletter | RW | |
| 6 | Distribute details about timetable for the Earwig Press | GP | |
| 7 | Update application and send out to committee | GP | |
| 8 | Feedback to committee and Forum following budget sub-committee meeting on 12 th March 2019 | SP | |
| 9 | Add other minutes, agendas etc. to Moorings website | TD | |
| 10 | Send details about grants and training | AL | |
| 11 | Send further details about training to the forum and will also connect PR and DF to Kelly Sullivan relating to training opportunities | RW | |
| 12 | Forward alerts to the Moorings NF email relating to when planning decisions are due to be taken relating to the Moorings area | AL | |