

Minutes

Location; Titmuss Avenue Baptist Church & Zoom **Date;** 24 January 2022 **TIME;** 6 PM - 7.40 PM

Attendees IN PERSON:

Deborah Frimpong , Resident, Chair of the MNF	DF
Sharon Hawe-Jones , Resident	SHJ
Con Lobo , Resident	CL
Ozge Ali , Resident	OA
David Rugg , Resident	DG
Derek Sewell , Resident and local pastor, Vice Chair	DS
Patrica Robinson , Resident	PR
Lade Ogunseitan , Resident (taking the minutes)	LO
Vanessa Scully , Thamesmead Travelling Cinema	VS
Liam Scully , Thamesmead Travelling Cinema	LS
Dame Rugg	DR
Kikelomo Oguntade	KO
Rachel Sewell , Resident and chair of governors at Linton Mead School	RS
Michelle Payne , Resident	MP
Sue Pollock , Treasurer, Lead Birchmere Changing subgroup	SP
Femi Solola , Resident	FO

PCSO Denning Hobbs
PC Joe Hyett
PC Klaudia Lachowska

ZOOM ATTENDEES

Tracey Megson , Dep. strategic leader of east children centres	TM
Kate Batchelor , Peabody	KB
Daniel Wells , Peabody	DW
Uzma Ali , Peabody	KB
Beatrice Anaman , Resident, MNF Committee member	BA
Keith Jones , Resident	KJ
Bernard Amankwah , Thamesmead Football Leader/Founder	BAmankwah

LO was the minutes taker.

Agenda:

1. Matters arising from minutes - Need for a secretary.
2. Report from the Police Safer Neighbourhood team
3. Choosing three priorities for the Police Safer Neighbourhood team
4. Update from Neighbourhood Team on work of Wardens in summer/autumn
5. Street Lighting update
6. Special event update
7. The mobile cinema project
8. Safeguarding policy updated ([Here](#))
9. AOB

Apologies: None

1. The need for a secretary was mentioned. No volunteer yet. LO offered to take the minute for this meeting.

2. **The Police Safer Neighbourhood team reported:**

Crimes week beginning Monday 17/01/22 mentioned:

- Arson and Criminal Damage, one incident occurred.
- No burglaries
- One drugs offence
- No possession of weapons
- One public order offence which occurred in Bentham Road near to the Hawksmoor youth club,
- Anti-Social Behaviour by youths
- Following recent thefts of motor vehicles 4 males were arrested
- 2 warrants applied for re: Fraud and Drugs
- Working with the Greenwich Borough ASB wardens, primarily targeting the parade of shops Arnott Close. SNT working with Peabody to collect evidence around ASBs
- CCTV at Gogi's working now
- Southmere lake /park recent information of swans being killed, and foxes being shot
- The incidents regarding the youths and wildlife were updated by PC's Joe Hyett and Klaudia Lachowska.
- Sexual offences against schoolgirls have been happening around the Erith and Thamesmead areas.
- Police Sergeant (PS) Maria sent his apologies, due to recovering from Covid19.
- Due to data protection, permission would be required to use emails etc.
- Any forum members wishing to take part in online surveys regarding the Thamesmead Moorings Police team, to forward contact details to the Thamesmead Moorings mailbox - thamesmeadmoorings.snt@met.police.uk
- An information sheet will be sent out pre next meeting on crimes which are applicable.
- Issues around Gogis- community resolution issues. ASB and Peabody working to look at the issues
- CCTV at Gogis as provided by Peabody is working now. Cameras being used to track and trace crime.

3. **Three priorities for the Police Safer Neighbourhood team**

These were the priorities agreed:

Burglary Motor
Vehicle crime
ASB and drugs

4. **Update from Peabody Neighbourhood Team on work of Wardens in summer/autumn**

- Andy reported about the ASB around the Moorings. Waste being left on the balconies was a general complaint. Blocks attended were Simon, Chadwick, Besant, Manning, Mill, and Cross Court. Leaflet were left in houses. Door knocking exercise with RBG environment team in attendance.
- Improvement with waste dumps. There were stats given by Andy. In all, there was report of over 50% improvement
- Additionally, every address was visited, each home was spoken to personally or they were left a leaflet. Leaflet left contain the details and how they could contact the local team to report issues.
- The report was that there improvement in waste clearing within the block. 8% People said there was no change. 34% said there was some change and 58% said there was marked improvement. 50% said that there have been a marked improvement.
- Residents were asked if the patrols and their activity was instrumental in this. 44% said yes. And 16% said there was no change and 40% said they didn't know one way or the other.

- **Safety in the area** - Resident were asked whether they feel safe or not. 14% said they did not feel safe. 24% said they felt somewhat safe. 62% said they did feel safe within Thamesmead.

5. **Street Lighting update**

- KB reported that there had been a walk around the Moorings looking at lighting with Derek, Keith, Kate the lighting teams from both Peabody and red edge (contractors).
- The outcome of the walkabout concerning the lighting held on Wednesday 1st December 5-6.30pm:
 - There is a mapping system of the streetlights
 - Issues around ownership of the streetlights and the land between RBG and Peabody.
 - Flooding of the underpass around Gogi's has been fixed. Drainage was flushed and CCTV inserted in drainage to see the cause
 - There has been criminal destruction of street lights, especially around some parks. This is done by the criminals to carry out illicit activities. Locks that were installed to close the parks have been broken. Residents encouraged to report broken locks.
 - Plan is to have the walk round the Moorings again in 6 months
 - KB assured us that she was championing our frustrations and DS thank her for her work.
 - KJ and DS to report on possible routes for the walkabout.

6. **Special event update**

Opening of Moorings Sociable Club on the 12th of March. Time is 12 to 4 PM.

- Invites has not been sent out yet. Waiting for confirmation of the VIP guest, the Mayor.
- Finishing touches being put into the building in the last few weeks as they kind of get finished.
- Building should be handed over to Peabody on the 22nd of February.
- VIP tour of the building by members of the neighbourhood forum.
- The club will have a capacity of hosting 250 persons
- Building will be managed by Peabody – Questions were asked if the building could be used to hold MNF meetings. There are no specific rooms for meetings. This can be explored depending on the timing of the meeting.
- Building will have free Wi-Fi, café, lockers, noticeboards
- Booking to use the building will be done online – issues about difficulty with current booking system for use of community halls managed by Peabody. KB to investigate this.
- Members asked if this would create employment opportunities for locals. KB said 'absolutely'.
- Opening hours is possible to be from 9-5pm

Special event (Ozge).

- A MNF Networking and award event
- The event is going to be to two parts. Workshop and Awards
- The workshop is for engaging more volunteers and retain the existing members
- Plans are to encourage networking in the local community and other stakeholders –

AWARDS

- Give a meaningful award to Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and the nominated residents/workers.
Besides Chair, Vice-Chair and Treasurer nominated Moorings residents/workers will receive an award. (Best Community Centre / Consisted open space volunteer / Health & Wellbeing provider / Best Street Cleaner, Responsible business etc.).
 - Chair, Vice-chair and Treasurer and the chosen people/ organisations by the committee members will receive an award. (All attendees of Part I will receive a litter picker at the end of the event)
- Participants will be 20 at each workshop

- Registration is compulsory - All attendees are to book their space at the Eventbrite prior to the event
- 4 hours event (over 2 repeated sessions)

In discussion afterwards, it was suggested that the award part of could be included with the Opening of the Moorings Sociable Club. There were plans to invite the Council Leader, Danny Thorpe and people from Peabody and Greenwich Council as well.

7. Mobile Cinema – Vanessa and Liam Scully, Thamesmead Travelling Cinema
Thamesmead Travelling cinema.

- They gave a background. Mobile cinema funded by Heritage Lottery Fund during COVID. Opened in in 2021. They have run 10 events over the last year, predominately at the Lakeside Centre. Idea behind the cinema was to tour across Thamesmead specifically and screen films based on community interest and go to different areas of Thamesmead working with Ethnic minorities and under-represented groups.
- They are working and gathering stories of ethnically diverse people, people who've been under-represented in the Thamesmead archives. Film events have been ran based on different cultures like Nigeria, Jamaican and Indian communities that exists. They are interested in working with young people, and elderly people.
- They use outside heaters and blankets as the films are screened in the open outside. The concept is to have the cinema outside and not indoor.
- Suggestions that Birchmere park is a good venue to use to screen films in the Moorings.
- They do production of the films and are keen to work with local talents. They can screen other people's films.

They can be contacted on thamesmeadtexas@gmail.com

8. Safeguarding policy updated

This must be agreed to enable forum to apply for grants.

All agreed that document and the amendment, 'it will be the responsibility of the responsible adult or the parent to ensure that children are safeguarded where they are present at an event.'

9. AOB

- Noted that the AGM is overdue, date has to be agreed in April
- Birchmere changing rooms –
- So many subgroups – clarity needed around who belongs to which group. Need to put a structure in place
- 19th of Feb – tree planting event at Southmere. Details to be posted in the chat forum. There are opportunities to be a volunteer as part of that. Anyone interested should go along. It will help us to explore how this may be implemented in the Moorings. We will be taking some learning
- Gazebo missing at Birchmere park – may have been moved to another site
- Development at the Basketball Court – suggestions were asked about what it can be used for. 6 participants have been asked to suggest designs which will be chosen from

The subgroup were:

- John Hogan (and Kim Teasdale possible but not present)
- Uzma Ali
- Deborah Frimpong
- Beatrice Annan - possible
- David - possible

Meeting ended at 19:48 Next meeting is on the 7th of March at 6pm @ Waterways Children Centre

Email after the meeting

Subject:RE: [External] Re: Forum meeting this evening! 24/1/2022 6pm

Date:2022-01-25 08:41

From:Kate Batchelor <Kate.Batchelor@peabody.org.uk>

To:Keith Jones <khjones222@gmail.com>, "info@mooringsnf.org.uk" <info@mooringsnf.org.uk>, Deborah Frimpong <debfrim@aol.com>

Copy:Sue Pollock <Sue@gcda.org.uk>

... We are currently in the process of purchasing a new set of bins and hope to instal in the spring (depending on manufacture and delivery times). We are asking people to add to a map again [here](#) (you will see the school council at Woolwich Poly have also started mapping requests). Please do share this again if you think others may have ideas for bin locations. Let me check who is responsible for the drainage/cleaning at the Watersmeet Place underpass and then I will pass this on to the relevant contact. - Thanks, Kate

From: Keith Jones <khjones222@gmail.com>

Sent: 24 January 2022 21:08

To: info@mooringsnf.org.uk; Deborah Frimpong <debfrim@aol.com>

Cc: Sue Pollock <Sue@gcda.org.uk>; Kate Batchelor <Kate.Batchelor@peabody.org.uk>

Subject: [External] Re: Forum meeting this evening! 24/1/2022 6pm

Hi All,

Sorry I have to leave early. I wanted to raise an AOB item with Kate. What's the latest on the next batch of bins and will they be coming to Birchmere ? And can one or two be requested for the entrance of Hutchins Rd, please. Following on from the new artwork, can anything be done about the general cleanliness of the Watersmeet Place underpasses ? Blocked drains, muddy, smelling and being used as toilets.

Regards

Keith