## MOORINGS NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM MINUTES Public meeting

Date: Tuesday 25 July 2023 6pm. | Venue: Held at the new Moorings Sociable Club

**Present:** Deborah Frimpong (Chair), Derek Sewell (Vice-Chair), Rachel Sewell, Africa Nile (GDIF), Pat Robinson, Yvonne Sharp, Beatrice Amanan, Dave Rugg, Ray Woodage, Sue Pollock, Chiamaka Muoneke, Julius Ariko, Con Lobo. Dan Wells (Peabody)

Apologies: Sue Pollock, Keith Jones, Ozge Ali, John Hogan

Area	Notes and Actions
1) Matters arising	•The booking for the summer open water swimming in Birchmere is currently open to the public. The details are on the website and have been shared prior to this meeting.
Action	
2) Possible issues to explore at later meetings.	A few issues were raised from the forum:  (1) Motorbike riders and noise in Birchmere Park has been reported but seems to be on the rise. It is unsafe for people who live close or use the park.  (2) Car racing is being held at the Cannon Retail park as well as on the streets.  (3) There is growing concerns over bank holiday collections and rubbish around the area. There is a hotspot at Jubilee Centre. Many have emailed RBG about this but none have had have any response. RBG have also refused to engage with Tidy Central Thamesmead and have failed to accept any invitation to work with us - how can we take this further?  (4) We need updated information from the Police Safer Neighbourhood Team as it is no longer possible to contact them.
Action	These items are to be discussed at our next committee meeting to discuss the way forward. URGENT: Get updated information from the Police on how to report low level problems and concerns within the area.
(3) Ancient Futures GDIF and Greenwich+Docklands International Festival - Thamesmead Mural.	This is a free event holding on the 27 and 28 of August from 2.00 - 18.30 pm. The activities includes dancing, African Dress-up and folklore  On the 26/8 there will be song writing workshops involving young people 16 years old and above.  Free and unticketed, just show up and enjoy the shows 26 August Songwriting with Afrikan Boy 27 August Movement with the Afrinauts 28 August Storytelling with the Afrinauts Find out more: <a href="https://festival.org/gdif/whats-on/ancient-futures/">https://festival.org/gdif/whats-on/ancient-futures/</a>
Action	DS to send out information to the forum.
(4) Men's mental health group	Ray Woodage gave us an update issues regarding the Men's Mental Health and Wellbeing group here in Thamesmead >They are organising a walk- exercise for men in the community >They want to organise a workshop where men gather, ask questions on the

	issues that they face. >They want to create an awareness of this group to other men in the community through Talk Thamesmead. >`Daniel Wells (Peabody) also advised that the team can use The Mooring Sociable Club for their meetings
Action	Review at the next meeting
(5) Tidy Central Thamesmead	DS pointed out the need for someone to volunteer to take the lead over tidying the Central Thamesmead Area.
Action	DS to send around the details for this post.
(6) Update from the Chair (Deborah)	Deborah Frimpong mentioned an art piece in memory of Rolan Adams, murdered 27yrs ago, this art piece could be possibly be located at the Mooring Sociable Club.
Action	DF to bring more details.
(7) AOB	<ul> <li>Thamesmead festival is on 12 August</li> <li>DS TM SP and DF are meeting to discuss the neighbourhood plan and the next steps.</li> <li>Ozge has applied for funding for Making Space For Nature Project. This includes sessions of cooking and gardening, farm visit. Held at Tump 53. The project will start from the 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2023 and most of the sessions will take place during half-terms.</li> </ul>
Date for next public meeting	Tuesday 24 October, and 28 November. All held at the Moorings Sociable Club at 6pm. Committee Meeting: Tuesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023.