

CRA Committee Meeting Minutes – Confidential

Date: 30th July 2020

Venue: Google Meet

Attending: JLL, NP, FB, BW, LC, CS, RD, JML

Apologies: DS

ITEM	ACTION
<p>1. Introduction – progress reports on Sheep Grazing and Low Traffic Neighbourhoods (or LTN) send out by the two sub groups and read in advance by all attending</p>	
<p>2. Minutes of the last meeting accepted</p>	
<p>3. LTN Sub-Group Report JLL asked for comments and questions based on the sub group’s report. Main points:</p> <p>3.1 Some further consideration will be given to where the modal filter would be situated if the proposal goes ahead (one option is near/at the Parade)</p> <p>3.2 BW suggested that the sign up box for the LTN campaign to be made more prominent as it was pushed down the page by the Coronavirus Help and Support panel</p> <p>3.3 Further points raised about the options for cyclists and pedestrians, access for large recycling vehicles etc. These were acknowledged as important and “work in progress”</p> <p>3.4 FB broached the matter of exactly what form the modal filter will take was raised and why only the bus-gate option was highlighted in the report; JLL said that other options such as rise-and-fall bollards will be considered by the Council – after all this is their programme now and will be leading the process further. BW pointed out other filter types as well as other options could be fall back alternatives so it is quite a complex picture over which we have limited influence</p> <p>3.5 The committee agreed to proceed with the current process and acknowledged the time, efforts and results to date of the sub group</p>	<p>JLL</p> <p>Sub-group</p>
<p>4. Sheep grazing</p> <p>4.1 JML summarised the main points of the update report, notably that the two most relevant and important Councillors for our case (Tom Davies and Richard Samuel) are very supportive and that others in the Council are coming around to the view that this is the most sustainable option for the land</p> <p>4.2 Furthermore, that the options appraisal, also pre-circulated, revealed the same conclusion</p> <p>4.3 An ecological survey conducted for the Crescent viaduct works has shown that there are active badger setts which would need to be worked around carefully; the potential sheep farmer (Geof Rudge) is confident that this can be achieved; further informal input from professionals confirms the possibility and even benefits of the co-existence of sheep and badgers</p> <p>4.4 The Council wants to see evidence of support and viability for the project, probably before any funding is made available. One option is to fund a trial ourselves, with Geof clearing just enough land for 2 or 3 sheep, at relatively small expense</p> <p>4.5 FB raised the point that it was unclear how the CRA, with no limited liability and limited funds for such a project, could pay for a first phase, and with whom such a contract could be made. CIL funding is still some way off. These are important</p>	

<p>and detailed discussions which will need to be considered still further and returned to the full committee.</p> <p>4.6 It was unanimously agreed that the sub-group should proceed with this option, and again their ongoing efforts recognised</p>	Sub-group
<p>5. Other news</p> <p>JJL drew the committee's attention to the latest consultation on the social distancing arrangements made to Claremont Parade and suggested that those affected by it should offer their comments</p>	All
<p>6. 3SG</p> <p>LC reported that it appears to be working satisfactorily according to requesters and volunteers she has spoken to. She has received no update from 3SG despite her own and Tom Davies's requests</p>	
<p>7. Accounts</p> <p>NP gave the summary of current and savings accounts following the £500 windfall resulting from a change in bank and recent transfer to the railings account.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main account: £1,471 • Railings account: £6,500 	
<p>8. Nov AGM (JJL)</p> <p>8.1 AGM format – virtual versus physical</p> <p>Where the nation is at the time with regard to Covid may well determine what format this takes</p> <p>8.2 Newsletter and its distribution</p> <p>Before the next meeting the sub-groups need to consider how the newsletter can be used in support of the two main projects.</p> <p>8.3 Again how much door-knocking we do in seeking views on both projects may be affected by Covid</p>	JJL JML
<p>9. Next year's committee</p> <p>9.1 Members to speak to JJL privately about their position regarding their willingness to serve next year and any other possible locals who may be interested and have time plus special talents/perspectives to add to the mix</p>	All
<p>10. AOB</p> <p>RD raised the topic of the Camden Bath Group presence on FaceBook and proposed that as the Social Media sub group has not had the time to work on it, the page should be suspended for the time being at least; RD to speak to DS about this</p>	RD
<p>11. DONM on Google Meet again</p> <p>We agreed to aim for 1st two weeks in September</p>	JJL

31.07.20

Louise Coates, Secretary

Jeremy Labram, Chair