

# CRA Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Venue/ Platform: Zoom Pro

Attending: JLL (Chair), NP, BW, LC, CS, RD, JMLg, EM, BC, JMLb Apologies: none

ITEM	ACTION
<p><b>Welcome</b> to new committee members – Elaine Morrell (EM), Jon Lobb (JMLb) and Bob Crampton (BC)</p>	
<p><b>1. Minutes of last meetings</b>            1.1 November meeting minutes - accepted            1.2 AGM minutes – accepted            1.3 AGM reflections, matters arising - none</p>	
<p><b>2. LN sub-group update</b>            2.1 JLL had previously circulated a detailed update on progress and current situation (see Attachment 1). Points raised:            2.2 RD registered concern regarding the forthcoming Clean Air Zone (CAZ) that the positioning of signs and cameras will in effect force vehicles affected by the emissions standards to divert along Belgrave Crescent and other linked roads. RD was also concerned that the current Class C vehicle classification could be raised to Class D at any time, increasing the volume of potentially polluting vehicles along these roads. RD and NP in particular requested that the Council should be made aware of these concerns and questions asked about their intentions. BC commented on the proliferation of road signage, which can be confusing as well as unsightly. JLL agreed to talk to Cllr Joanna Wright and report back            2.3 Vehicle Activated Speed (VAS) devices – JLL confirmed he would be submitting our application again, as a back up at least up for the LN proposals</p>	<p>JLL  JLL</p>
<p><b>3. Camden Lawn sub-group update</b>            3.1 JMLg gave an update on activities since the last committee meeting (see <a href="#">here</a>)            Specifically:            3.1.1 Near 100% support from the AGM Motion to work with the Council to find a long term solution for the lawn            3.1.2 First meeting of the sub-group with new members, resulting in agreement to form a small working party, ideally made up of volunteers with environmental knowledge and skilled in using equipment safely            3.2 Numerous Council forms to be completed and insurance cover investigated; specific help requested and offered from JMLb and LC            3.3 Possible Friends of Hedgemoor Park volunteer expertise and insurance to be considered</p>	<p>JMLg, LC, JML  JMLg, NP</p>
<p><b>4. Camden tidy-up update</b>            4.1 Five volunteers turned out in poor weather (incl Cllr Richard Samuel) on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec to clear rubbish, weeds and leaves from St Stephens Rd/ Camden Crescent area, resulting in many bags collected by B&amp;NES roadside waste clearance. This was follow-up activity from suggestion raised by resident Julie Platt (JP) at the AGM            4.2 Committee supported continuing the effort, especially given the interest of passers-by, many of whom were local residents; need to publicise more widely next time and consider a regular schedule. Group to discuss timing and availability of bags            4.3 Thanks to JP for obtaining the necessary Council equipment and others who also conduct their own tidy ups (eg Jane Franke and CS)</p>	<p>LC, RD, CS</p>

<p><b>5. Snow Patrol</b></p> <p>5.1 CS recapped the role and activities of the sub-group, adding that it is working well. BC asked about cover for Perfect View and Rivers Road; they are not currently within the scope of the snow patrol – BC offered to organize that, in discussion with JLL who has been developing relationships within that area</p> <p>5.2 CS circulated an update after the meeting (Appendix 2); with thanks to the old and new snow patrollers</p>	BC, JLL
<p><b>6. Christmas</b></p> <p>6.1 JLL raised the question of whether/how to encourage a little more Camden Christmas cheer in such a bad year. Suggestions:</p> <p>6.2 Loneliness support – call from a committee member to a resident who may be alone or feeling low, at a pre-arranged time; volunteers to contact LC who will put in touch with neighbours (having checked who would appreciate a call)</p> <p>6.3 “Add a little sparkle” – JLL suggested hanging sparklies outside our houses for children to spot on a festive walk - as Easter and NHS rainbows were so popular along the Camden roads. <i>[Secretary’s note- battery operated and timed lights are on sale at the Guldhall Market ironmongers – support local; other options are available.]</i></p> <p>6.4 Blogpost to be published quickly</p>	LC  All  JLL
<p><b>7. Social Media</b></p> <p>7.1 Suggestion by BC that a Camden-wide form of social media could be useful to raise awareness and engagement. WhatsApp was suggested but FaceBook was generally agreed to be more appropriate, so long as the messages and priorities are clear. Previous efforts to develop an FB page have shown it takes constant effort (RD). JMLb has experience of using FB successfully in business and will consider further with BC, JLL, RD</p>	BC, JMLb, JLL, RD
<p><b>8. Transparency of sub-group activities</b></p> <p>8.1 JLL had circulated a summary of sub-groups reporting activity prior to the new committee being in place; noted, without further discussion; JLL subsequently resent the report to all (see Appendix 3)</p>	
<p><b>9. Accounts</b></p> <p>9.1 NP reminded the committee that whilst the accounts are in positive, good shape, there have been outgoings this year (£50, plus hi-viz jackets ) with no incoming funds, due to inability to collect this year. Committee agreed to add this to next month’s agenda (see Appendix 4 – full accounts for the benefit of new members in particular)</p>	NP
<p><b>10. AOB</b></p> <p>10.1 Do we need to continue subscription to Zoom Pro? JLL to think through options</p> <p>10.2 JLL asked the committee to consider including Eastbourne Avenue within the CRA catchment area, as residents will be very much affected (hopefully positively) by the LN. Tentative support; agreed to add to the next agenda</p>	JLL  JLL
<p><b>11. DONM on Google Meet/Zoom</b></p> <p>11.1 Doodle poll to arrange for date in later half of January to be set up</p>	LC

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Louise Coates, Secretary  
Jeremy Labram, Chair