

# CRA Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021, 14:00

Venue/ Platform: Zoom Pro

Attending: JLL (Chair), NP, RW, LC, CS, JMLg, JMLb, EM

Apologies: BC, RD

ITEM	ACTION
<p><b>1. Minutes of Last Meeting</b></p> <p>1.1 June meeting minutes accepted</p> <p>1.2 Actions from last meeting: covered in later points, below</p>	
<p><b>2. Chair's Report</b></p> <p>2.1 Brief points &amp; news-bites: covered in later items</p>	
<p><b>3. CRA Blog Hosting</b></p> <p>3.1 RW was congratulated on a seamless transfer of the CRA website hosting to another partner (TSO), to be more cost-effective and 'greener'. JL will feature the change in a blog</p>	
<p><b>4. Camden Meadow Update</b></p> <p>4.1 JMLg reported that the working party planned for 24<sup>th</sup> July was postponed due to adverse (and erroneous) weather forecasts; new date set for Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August</p> <p>4.2 Friends of Camden Meadow now has 21 signed up members, nearly half of whom are from Camden Crescent, which is very encouraging - anyone wishing to join and/or volunteer should contact JMLg</p> <p>4.3 Communications with the Parks Department continue slowly but tentatively positively about the use of power tools on site, including a chipper</p> <p>4.4 Now that the Friends group has now been established, JMLg will continue to update the committee verbally on progress</p>	JMLg
<p><b>5. LN Subgroup Report</b></p> <p>5.1 The areas selected for the next stage only include a part of Walcot, as previously discussed and not what is currently regarded as Camden by the CRA; JLL will continue to push for clarity with the council on the reasons and options, directly and through the FoBRA Transport Group, of which he is a member. The main grounds and significant differentiator from others are on safety for pedestrians using Camden Road</p> <p>5.2 Camden Road will be closed for up to 2 days from 7<sup>th</sup> August due to emergency works, at the shops end of the road. JLL suggested various ways in which the CRA could make something of the "new quiet". Agreed that whoever can get along on the day could take pics, short video clips, ideally with children and pedestrians enjoying the safe space</p> <p>5.3 To be considered at a future meeting – possibility of a street closure for a street party next year to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee</p>	All
<p><b>6. Cleveland Bridge</b></p> <p>6.1 Repair work may well take longer due to evidence of further serious damage (latest signage suggests November). The vehicle count at various points along Camden Road conducted by some committee members and others over the last few weeks was very helpful in providing a benchmark as to traffic levels henceforward and also highlighting some of the traffic patterns</p> <p>6.2 Cllr Samuel has stated that ANPR (automatic number plate recognition) CAZ cameras will now also be used for traffic flow data, although it's not clear how much information will be made openly available.</p>	JLL

<p><b>7. Camden Tidy-up</b>  7.1 LC reported that the group is intending to do a weeding exercise along Camden Crescent on Monday 2nd August at 2pm, with a view to seeding suitable wild flowers in the gaps where weeds currently flourish, in the spring; fliers will be dropped in nearby houses to encourage joiners. All welcome  7.2 There may be a link up with the Urban Garden in Marlborough Buildings, to be explored</p>	<p>LC, RD, CS  LC</p>
<p><b>8. Camden Cares</b>  8.1 LC reported having met two of the Covid-19 partners recently (pic to appear on a blog soon), also that if anyone hears of someone needing help then the Community Hub is still in operation; there is also an NHS Volunteer Response Line <sup>1</sup>.</p>	
<p><b>9. Roles and Responsibilities Exercise</b>  9.1 No further update, to be continued</p>	
<p><b>10. St Stephen's Road Trees</b>  10.1 JMLb reported that he has not heard back from the council in response to his emails regarding the state of the beech tree, but that he is persisting. He suggested volunteers could perhaps clear some of the overhanging vegetation on St Stephens Road as it is becoming increasingly overgrown and difficult to walk or park cars there, which he understands would not require council permission, although any road closure to conduct the work would  10.2 JMLb &amp; JMLg to consider joint approach to the council re using power tools.</p>	<p>JMLb, JMLg</p>
<p><b>11.</b> Account funds carried forward - Current £1,273.28, Savings £6,650.99</p>	
<p><b>12. AOB</b>  12.1 None</p>	
<p><b>13. DONM</b>  13.1 Next meeting Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2pm, Zoom  13.2 Further committee dates to be on Zoom: 27<sup>th</sup> Sept, 25<sup>th</sup> October (AGM preparation); some members interested in a social meet up, to be arranged  13.3 2021 AGM date proposed: Thursday evening, 18<sup>th</sup> November.</p>	<p>LC</p>

Note:

1. NHS Line: 0808 1963646, 8am – 8pm x 7 days pw

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Louise Coates, Secretary  
Jeremy Labram, Chair