

Canonbury Ward Partnership

Wednesday 9th March 2016

7-9pm Walter Sickert Community Centre

Minutes

Present:

Alex Diner	Canonbury Ward Councillor (chair)
Nick Wayne	Canonbury Ward Councillor
Zahur Khan	Head of Traffic and Parking (LBI)
Inara Khan	National Management Trainee (LBI)
Laura Allen	Principal Planner (LBI)
Martin Coojmans	Team Leader – Planning & Projects (LBI)
Ines Lopez	Scheme Sponsor (TfL)
Jonathan Green	Portfolio Sponsor (TfL)
Celine Tuner	Consultation Specialist (TfL)

Apologies:

Clare Jeapes	Canonbury Ward Councillor
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Item	Subject
1.	Welcome, introductions and apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cllr Diner welcomed the public and the panelists and extended apologies from Cllr Jeapes
2.	Notes of last meeting and matters arising <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laptop with notes of the last meeting was stolen. <i>Action: Cllr Wayne & I Khan to try and put together note from it.</i>• Cllr Wayne updated on change of policing personnel in Canonbury
3.	Highbury corner development <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TfL gave context and background of the scheme• LBI spoke about the character of the geographical area and what the known road issues were• LBI detailed the original options, traffic impact and what mitigation measures were considered.• TfL gave a timeline for works, and information on development of the current green space, trees, flow of traffic management and bus stops/routes. They also went into detail on the proposal in the consultation and what this would mean for drivers, cyclists, pedestrians and public transport users
4.	Q & A – selection <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Has the consultation taken into account changes at Highbury and Islington station, and what about the 3rd option (busses going on West side)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Space would be too narrow with the 3rd option and there would not be enough open space.• Access to bus stops will not improve<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Will be better for pedestrians to access bus stops as a wider pavement, need to address the cycle collisions that happen. New traffic light system should make traffic flow better.• What will the impact on air quality be?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Doing air quality modeling at the moment so will find out, traffic modelling is not a perfect way to make predictions.• Is the cyclist provision based on need or projection?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We are trying to make the area safer for cyclists and save lives • Can you extend cycle tracks to Canonbury School? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No definitive answer, not part of consultation • Can't cyclists be diverted away from Highbury Corner? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In 2010 Highbury Corner was top 10 in country for cyclists accidents, we need to address this and improve their safety. • Why does the current gyratory need changing? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Used to work for traffic levels when made but not anymore, need to update for future. • How much of the open space will be kept? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Depends on the outcome of the consultation • Can't we get rid of more trees to provide more space? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ They are part of the character of the area we want to preserve , the Scoot traffic system will provide for a better flow of traffic
5.	CCTV on estates
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllrs Diner and Wayne updated on talks that have been going on since a fatal incident in Canonbury last year. They are in discussion with LBI to improve CCTV in the ward, especially on relevant estates. At the moment proposals still broad-brush, and will be sent to residents to decide outcome. • Comments from public on: placement of cameras, need to address gang culture and increasing police presence
6.	AOB
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllrs Diner and Wayne encouraged public to speak to them about local projects that may require funding • Housing was suggested by a member of the public as a future topic for the Ward Partnership.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 8th June 2016 7pm – 9pm