

Present

John Gillett (JG), Richard Logue, Zoe Samuelson, Cheryl Farrow, Val Duschinsky, Caroline Oliver, Paul Edwards, Sian John, Susan Connolly, Peter Neal, Jonathon Cummings, Suzanne Brett, Bonnie Overlander, Clive Blass, Ali Sayed, Emily Dunbar, Rob Orton, Marc Bergen, Mike Barker (MB) minutes.

Apologies

Steven Novak, Philip Morris,

Minutes of 17th October meeting - agreed with the addition of apologies from Emily Dunbar

Saracens West Stand - The planning application for new West Stand had not yet been submitted. JG said the main change from previous plans was a lower number of car parking spaces at the back of the stand to make way for ambulance access.

It was agreed that, when submitted, we should objectively review the application the mass of the new stand when compared to the application for the new Hasmonian school.

New Cophthall Leisure Centre - The Forum had submitted its comments about the new complex based on: improving the design of the complex so it looked less “municipal” in nature; improving transport access especially public transport; supporting the provision of diving facilities and, lastly, the potential for improved sports hall facilities working with Saracens and Middlesex University.

Pentavia - Over 660 objections to the planning application had been submitted by residents as well as the objections from the Forum, Preservation Society, Residents Association and other local groups. It was likely that the proposal would take months before a decision was made and then there was a real chance that it would go to appeal. It was agreed that we should see what could be done to be a coalition with the Preservation Society, the Residents Association and other local groups to continue what was likely to be a long fight over the proposals.

Hall Lane student blocks proposal - The meeting confirmed the decision of the previous meeting that we should also object to this development on similar grounds to Pentavia.

Hasmonian School - JG said that a planning application had been submitted but was still being reviewed by LBB before becoming publically available. Zoe’s work reviewing the original covenants on the land would be invaluable when submitting our comments. It was agreed that we should object to the development on the basis that it was an annexation of valuable green belt and, also, the detrimental impact of the additional traffic as a result of almost tripling the size of the school numbers.

Action sites for NDP - JG reviewed potential “action sites” for inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed that the Plan needed to have a broad mix of land uses with residential development balanced with a broad base of employment uses and the development and maintenance of a commensurate level of local infrastructure to sustain the local community. Mill Hill should not become simply a dormitory settlement for people working in and using the cultural and commercial facilities of central London.

Thameslink 2018 timetable consultation - Richard agreed to submit comments for the Thameslink consultation on the changes to the timetable which would be introduced in 2018 after the major rail infrastructure improvements had been finished.

Xmas Market - The Christmas market would be taking place later in the week. For the first time the Forum had some direct control over the market and, thanks to a Council grant, several large gazebos that would be used for Market stalls. In JGs absence on holiday Bonnie was organising the raffle and we needed as much help from members as we could get to make sure the whole event went off successfully.

20 MPH zone on Hale Lane - Clive raised the issue of a proposed 20 mph zone in Hale Lane near the Matilda Marks school. It was agreed this needed to be reviewed.

Christmas - As this was the last meeting of the year JG wished everyone a happy Christmas and New Year.

Next meeting - Monday 16th January at 7pm at Allianz Park