



Mill Hill Neighbourhood Forum – Committee Meeting 24th June 2019

Minutes of meeting held at Mill Hill School:

Present - John Gillett (Chair), Susan Connolly, Jonathon Cumming, Bonnie Overlander, Stuart Kershaw, Clive Blass, Roger Tichborne, Peter Neal + guest John Taylor

Apologies received -Paul Edwards, Marc Bergen, Gordon Banks, Cheryl Farrow

It was agreed that that we would welcome Anesta Weekes as a new committee member with effect after this meeting.

Welcome - John welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted that as we had only 8 Committee members in attendance, we were not quorate, for the first time.

AGENDA:

- Introductions/ Apologies
- IBSA House Redevelopment
- The Committee & our Constitution
- AOB

IBSA House. The team supporting developer Ziser London Ltd (<http://www.ziser.co.uk/>) included Henryk Busiakiewicz, Architect and founding member of the BB Partnership practice (<http://www.bbpartnership.co.uk/>) with James in support. Also present were Mark Shearman and Stephanie Grey of Firstplan (<https://www.firstplan.co.uk/>) Planning Consultants

Site is 2 Hectares. With front building 123,000 Sq ft (internal) and Print room 83,000Sqft Now 160,000sqft. Height of New Build to be same height as Front Building, at Ground + 5 storeys. Developing a coherent vision for the whole site. No B1 use- totally residential. Basement Parking in front and back buildings. Expecting 152 residential units at Rear and 70 in the Front building. 1 car park space per dwelling. Mansard roof on front building to be replaced. Green Roofs, very green development overall, with a woodland amenity space. Ziser intend to develop & manage (rental) as they do with all of their other sites. Brick not cladding. Similar site being developed in Cricklewood Broadway. Overall the proposals seemed well thought out and providing they are retained in the Planning Application when it is submitted, the scheme would probably be worthy of approval. The target market for the properties was still under review and the % of affordable homes would be subject to their viability exercise.

As we were not quorate, we could not make progress with formal committee matters.

Those present questioned the motivation and justification for Mr Klaff's Challenge to the Committee. Mr Tichborne gave his understanding of the reasons for the call for an EGM and challenged the Chair about lack of consultation with the Services Club, of which Mr Tichborne is a member. The Chair stated that he had indeed written to the Secretary of the Services Club on 23rd April 2018, confirming that the MHNF had no designs on the Services Club site and inviting them to get in touch should they have any further concerns. No further contact has been received to date. The Chair reiterated that a vital part of the role for each Committee Member was to positively represent the MHNF within their networks of local people and to bring back to the Committee any issues. Clearly the Chairman cannot be the only person who liaises with all stakeholders on behalf of the Forum.

Members found the emails from Mr Klaff (sent to email addresses he should not have had access to) to be unpleasant and hostile. Mr Tichborne suggested that the Chair should request that Mr Klaff submit his detailed justification for his motion. The motion for an EGM is taken seriously by the committee and will potentially be considered in parallel with the next AGM. Had Mr Klaff come to the Committee to suggest that he had noticed some errors in us honouring the Forum's Constitution and offered to help us, he would have been well received.

AOB: Nothing further to report.

Next meeting 29th July 2019