

Hyde Park Paddington

Note of Steering Group Meeting held on 3 July 2019, 8.30 – 10:00 a.m.

British Land's offices, York House 45 Seymour Street, London W1

Attendees:

Residential Members:

- Allen Zimble
- Sarah Clifford
- Sally Martin
- Bernadette McKernan
- Rev'd Stephen Mason

Business Members:

- Andrew Scrivener (European Land)
- Paul Charalambous (Stylotel)
- Ian Lush (Imperial Health Charity)
- Vaughan Smith (Frontline Club)
- Isabel Turner (British Land)
- Kay Buxton (The Paddington Partnership)
- Mike Fairmaner (Marble Arch London)

Apologies:

- Nikhil Shah
- Sergio Chiquetto
- Will Clayton (PaddingtonNow BID)
- Matthew Lindsay
- Mark McKeown (The Church Commissioners)

	Actions
1. Introductions and Apologies These were duly made, and apologies noted.	
2. Feedback from General Meeting held on 19 June The meeting received updates since the last meeting in February and heard about Steering Group progress in the meantime. FAQs have been produced and are now on the website. A project brief for Praed Street was reviewed. WCC place-shaping team presented on the scope for the Paddington Place Plan. WCC has announced a Neighbourhood CIL bidding round and published the next draft of the City Plan. Allen explained the role of the Forum, the importance of developing a Neighbourhood Plan. The meeting then heard about the Neighbourhood CIL bidding process, the application criteria and the need for Ward Councillor support.	

<p>The meeting was then opened up to members to suggest project ideas for CIL applications, under the Forum’s agreed priority themes.</p>	
<p>3. Project Ideas for CIL</p> <p>Kay ran through the overall process and timetable. A mailing to all members of the Forum went out on 21 June outlining initial ideas, seeking additional ideas and inviting views by 30 June. Today’s meeting therefore focuses on agreeing which projects to discuss with Ward Councillors on 5 July.</p> <p>Kay explained that after this we plan to publish the final list of suggested projects on the Forum’s website and send a further mailing to all members seeking final comments. The overall submission deadline is 24 July.</p> <p>Decisions are made on projects in the autumn, with funding capable of being spent within 12 months of approval.</p> <p>Kay then reminded the Steering Group of the CIL guidelines, including the amount currently available (£623,000). The criteria for projects includes supporting growth, being forward-looking, not attempting to resolve pre-existing problems. Ideas must align with Council services and priorities, broadly public realm/transport, health/community services, education, parks/sport/leisure, utilities/waste. There must be support from Ward Councillors and Council officers.</p> <p>The Forum agreed priorities were re-iterated before we moved to look at potential projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praed Street public realm • Connecting the old and new parts of the Neighbourhood Area • Tackling gateways and connections • Better walking routes in the area, pedestrian safety and traffic calming • Green infrastructure and sustainability <p>The meeting then ran through each potential application in turn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fleming Museum: There was unanimous support for this. Ian Lush ran through the overall strategic fundraising journey, with a Lottery application at further stages. This is therefore the first step. Ian also mentioned the big role played by volunteers and the growth of volunteering opportunities. Paul Charalambous also spoke in support and fed back on the work PaddingtonNow BID is undertaking with the Museum and how much investment it needs. It was suggested that we add visitor numbers to add weight to the application. • The Bays/Paddington Connections: This also received unanimous support and it was suggested we increase the amount sought to £100k. • Burwood Place: The issue of benches in the area was raised, as it can divide opinion. We agreed to flag this in the application form as needing resolution. Large pots were agreed as the principle here for green infrastructure. • Connaught Village Green: this will potentially be the subject of both a Neighbourhood and Strategic CIL application, with The Church Commissioners making a significant contribution. Surveys of the area are underway and a landscape architect being appointed. The lack of crossing from the Duke of Kendal across Kendal Street remains a concern. The project was unanimously supported. Thorough local consultation would be embedded into the project. 	<p>KB</p> <p>KB</p> <p>MF</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lancaster Gate: it was felt that this project should be slipped to the next CIL funding round as we are not at the stage of fully understanding the project detail. • Edgware Road/Sussex Gardens corner: this project received widespread support and is recognised locally as a problem corner. It was agreed that we needed to obtain a detailed Land Registry map for the site as it has a complex ownership framework. • Repurposing Telephone Boxes: whilst this project has full support, a thorough conversation with planners will be needed before we can make a confident application. <p>It was agreed that whilst all applications should be submitted in the name of the Neighbourhood Forum, the contact names on application forms should be the lead officer on each project.</p> <p>It was also agreed to retain funding in the HPP Neighbourhood pot for future bidding rounds.</p> <p>The final item of business focused on the requirement to identify CIL priorities in any Neighbourhood Plan.</p>	<p>MF</p> <p>KB</p> <p>KB</p>
<p>4. Date of next Steering Group and General Meetings</p> <p>It was agreed to hold both meetings in the Autumn.</p>	