

Minutes
BAG Steering Group meeting - 19th June 2007 at Nuria's, 215 Edward road

Apologies: Peter, Tara, Helen, Irina

Present: Nuria, Michael

1. Looked in detail at the letter from Green Issues about the Key London Alliance. Also at the email from the Victoria Line.

Nuria to draft responses, and Michael and Nuria to finalise responses and send. Meanwhile Helen to write to Green Issues to tell them to expect the response.

Noted that the Councillors had not responded to the letter from BAG (Did BAG get a copy?). Agreed that BAG really should push hard for a meeting with KLA people - Irina to chivvy councillors to this end after letter from Nuria and Michael sent to Green Issues. Thought that we should probably attend a Cllrs surgery meeting with copy of the letter if they don't respond. Nuria to investigate surgery hours.

Agreed that a full press release should be made if they still don't agree to meet us, along "What are they hiding?" lines. Agreed that we really need to all sit down and think of appropriate targets for such releases. Nuria to get PR lists for Haringey from David Morris so that we can start finding their Waltham Forest equivalents.

Also proposed that BAG should visit the London Wide Initiative's site in Hackney, to see what sort of job the people who would be building 'our' housing make of it.

Nuria will investigate the cost of getting an independent transport impact assessment so that we can consider this if and when a planning application is submitted.

2. Helen rang and agreed that she would write a simple query about the proposed housing to be submitted to the Community Council Meeting on the 2nd July.
3. Agreed that any general bulletin / email to residents should wait until we have notice of the next residents' meeting. NB the last one was over half a year ago.
4. Talked briefly about off licence. Thought that the fact that nothing had been done yet probably bodes well, but we need to be vigilant. Helen to ask after architect's plans through her 'special contacts' with the company.
5. Nuria reported on the proposed skating rink. It would seem to have no adverse impact on our area, and may not go ahead anyway. Proposal to drop the subject.
6. re Orange phone mast, Nuria pointed out that Orange have six months to appeal. There are several possible types of appeal, and we should be ready to counter any of them.
7. **Deferred matters:** Plan residents meeting - dates, agenda, structure etc.; Council's opening of consultation on town centre regen plans - should BAG get involved? Alliance with FoE?
8. Having battled through winds and high water, Nuria and Michael agreed that it would

have been nice to have had a bit more notice from people who weren't coming - perhaps by email to everyone- so that they might have had the chance to amend their own plans for the evening. Just a thought, not a criticism... It was agreed that a another steering meeting would have to be held soon, since there is a limit to what two people can do and agree over a glass of wine and biscuits.