

**CLAPHAM COMMON MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018**

**7.00pm at Omnibus, 1 Northside, Clapham, SW4 0QW**

**Present:** Simon Millson (SM) (Chair), Helen O'Malley (HO'M) (Deputy Chair), Tim Bennett (TB), Cllr Linda Bray (LB), Gary Clark (GC), David Dandridge (DD), Adrian Darley (AD), Jeremy Keates (JK), Cllr Nigel Haselden (NH), Martin Read (MR) and Andrew Summers (AS) (The Clapham Society - CS).

**Guests:** Cllr Joanna Reynolds (JR)

**Apologies:** David Beldon, Patrick Spencer and Bandstand Beds.

**1. Minutes of the meeting on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

The minutes were passed.

**2. Matters arising**

Winter litter clearing

SM updated the Committee on the plan to fund staff overtime over the winter weekends to clear litter and the like.

Events strategy

SM gave an update on the review of the events strategy following a presentation by the Head of Neighbourhoods at the Lambeth Parks Forum meeting.

Green Waste site

DD said some rubbish had been cleared.

Rats

DB said Chris Jude will remove the beds at La Baita.

Grassy knoll

JK said will begin in February next year.

Bulb planting

MR asked for volunteers to help with bulb planting on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

MR also gave an update on plans to plant 30 trees on the Common.

**3. Children's play areas feedback**

LB updated the Committee on plans for capital funds to be spent on the Common's play areas. LBL's funding would need to be supplemented by grants.

Ruth Davies (LBL fundraiser) has advised that fundraising could only commence once specific plans have been drawn up. That may be about a year from now.

CCMAC will write a one page summary of how it envisages play strategy across the Common (covering, for example, the appropriate age focus and activities for each play site). SM will draft a copy for the Working Group to input to. **Action: SM**

**4. Planning Application Committee (Winterville) feedback**

LBL's Planning Application Committee approved Winterville, opening on 15<sup>th</sup> November and running until 23<sup>rd</sup> December. The Committee will keep a close eye on event preparations, conduct and reparations.

AS noted that LBL is considering applying to the Public Works Loan Board for funds to improve drainage on the events site, and queried whether this is the right priority for loan funding. SM will ask LBL. **Action: SM**

**5. Polygon development**

The landscaping on the old Polygon toilet block is still not progressing due to planning issues. The Committee has conveyed its frustration to LBL.

**6. AOM agenda**

The Committee approved the draft agenda for February's Annual Open Meeting.

**7. Working Groups updates**

TLE

The Colour Your Common wildflower meadow continues to progress, with another Good Gym session two weeks ago. Money from the Mayor of London's Greener City Fund must be spent by the end of January. The TLE Working Group will discuss whether to plant by trees, introduce topsoil for mounds by trees and have uniform fencing round the meadow.

**8. Member organisations updates**

Bandstand Beds

Bandstand Beds held a Halloween feast.

It was not successful in its grant application to the Co-Op, so cannot presently install further pathways.

Gardening will pause from December to January.

Clapham Society

The Clapham Society had its AGM. Its members welcomed having the chance to hear from Kevin Crook, Head of Neighbourhoods at Lambeth Council.

**9. AOB**

Lambeth Parks Forum

The Lambeth Parks Forum was reminded of the opportunity for residents to respond to LBL's consultation on its Local Plan. JK believes there is an opportunity to put forward ideas for capital projects relating to the Common. SM will circulate the Plan. **Action: SM**

Recovery Kitchen

Committee members were asked to look out for Recovery Kitchen's opening times due to the perception of some erratic hours.

Lights

All streetlights and pathway lights should now be fixed.

**10. Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting is 6<sup>th</sup> December, 7pm at Omnibus.