

WOODBERRY DOWN COMMUNITY ORGANISATION

Confidential Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday 21st April 2022

Redmond Community Centre

Attendance

Andrea Anderson	Hilary Britton	Geoff Bell
Philip Cooke	Elaine Gosnell.	William Sheehy
Mina Faragalla	Oonagh Gormley	
Jacque Knowles	Eoghan Mitchell	
Ngozi Obanye		

Observers Included

Simon Slater, Roda Hassan

Section 0 - Introduction

0.1. Apologies for absence

0.1.1 Apologies for absence were received from:

Jason Morgan, Kalu Amogu, Jackie Myers, Kristina Zagar, Lesley Benson, Leonora Williams, Philip Dundas, Euphemia Chukwu, Noemi Menendez, Eleanor Anderssen, Barbara Panuzzo

Board Discussion

- 1.1** The ITLA gave a brief summary of the next design committee meeting, it was going to discuss the ground floor servicing strategy for phase four, this included the layout for parking, servicing, bin sheds and bicycle sheds. ITLA will send out an email and ask board members to respond by Monday morning.
- 1.2** Board members expressed their frustration that they were being asked to comment on something that they hadn't seen. The ITLA suggested that they should use their experiences of living in new blocks to outline what they found helpful and what they found concerning regarding servicing the blocks.
- 1.3** Board members again highlighted that they had commented on the proposed ground floor strategy, but this hadn't been discussed at the design committee. ITLA to chase

- 1.4** The issue of wind disturbance in Phase 4 was raised again with some Board members highlighting that if this wasn't successfully dealt with the Central Square would be a failure and largely unused. The design revised proposals for reducing the wind speed in the square and the podium garden was awaited by the Design committee as the wind consultant would be computer modelling any proposed design changes.
- 1.5** Geoff raised his recollection that the successful architectural practice had promised to consider refurbishing one of the old blocks. This was in the recollection of other board members and ITLA will try and check with the independent design advisor if this had been suggested
- 1.6** Geoff further made the point that he couldn't understand why the architects were focusing principles. He suggested a Board update of 20 minutes followed by a longer discussion by Board members. He also wanted input from the community forum.

ACTION: ITLA to ensure ground floor uses discussed at Design committee, also feedback mechanisms to Board and check with the Independent Design Adviser on whether the successful architectural practise had suggested refurbishing on old block

2.0 AOB

- 2.1** Oonagh and Hilary raised concern that a "tower block" was being proposed on the southern side of the West Reservoir, beside Lordship north Estate and was due to go to Planning committee in April. Agreed ITLA to check with Hackney Regeneration.
- 2.2** Oonagh suggested that reduce entry to the West Reservoir could be offered by London Borough of Hackney. Geoff recalled that the canoe club had done so at a Hidden River Festival. Board to raise with LBH at next Board meeting.