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Northern Line Extension Battersea Community Liaison Group

Tuesday 16 October 2018 R.O.S.E. Community Centre, Ascalon Street, London, SW8 4DJ

Attendees:

Name	Organisation
Carla Arnold (CA)	FLO – NLE
Matthew Brinklow (MB)	FLO – NLE
Jonathan Cooper (JC)	LU
CHAIR: Steve Diamond (SD)	LB Wandsworth
Michael Flynn (MF)	TfL
Harry Goonewardene (HG)	Savona Estate
Rosemarie Hazel (RH)	Savona Estate
Luke Major (LM)	Battersea Power Station
Marlene Price (MP)	Battersea Housing Panel
Tharshika Sivagnanam (TS)	TfL
Mark Walker (MW)	Minute-taker
Niall Watson (NW)	FLO – NLE

Apologies received in advance:

- Tina Bailey Battersea Cats and Dogs Home
- Steve Pinto Wandsworth Chamber of Commerce
- Brian Raincock Viridian

	Item	Action
1.0	Introduction and apologies	
1.1	Welcome from Steve Diamond (SD), followed by round-the-table introductions from all attendees.	

2.0 Minutes of the previous meeting – accuracy and matters arising

- 2.1 SD advised that Harry Goonewardene (HG) was the only member of the community in attendance at the previous meeting of the CLG.
- 2.2 Key issues from the previous meeting (18/07/2018):
 - Point 3.27: Carla Arnold (CA) provided an update on problems caused by the FLO minivan waiting in Savona Street, as raised by HG. FLO's Logistics Manager, Paul Andrews has investigated the possibility of using Sleaford Street as an alternative pick-up/drop-off point. However, 'walk-throughs' on several days found no parking spaces available, so this option was deemed to be unsuitable. Paul Andrews has also explored the possibility of pick-up/drop-off taking place on-site. However, this was also deemed to be unsuitable until additional space within the project boundary can be reclaimed.

HG advised the van is still causing problems in Savona Street, a situation he witnessed as recently as this morning.

CA advised FLO has been in contact with the pub in Savona Street and the van tries to park near to the pub's loading bay wherever possible. The van works to a rota and should only be waiting for five minutes at a time. HG responded to advise the van often waits for longer than five minutes with its engine running and sometimes its presence causes problems for the dustbin lorry. CA responded to advise she understands the van always moves out of the way of the dustbin lorry.

HG stated that the van is violating the double-yellow lines regulation.

Jonathan Cooper (JC) advised the team has looked at many different options to resolve this situation but none have been deemed to be safe. Where possible the van will try to park in the loading bay next to the pub and the driver has been briefed to be careful.

HG commented that if the van were to park in Sleaford Street instead, it could park half on the pavement and half on the road.

Marlene Price (MP) commented that it is illegal to park in this manner unless the road has been specially designated.

HG stated that the van appears to pick people up and then head to the market. CA advised the van actually travels to the Nine Elms site. The aim of the van is to avoid the need for staff to travel to work by car.

HG asked if the van could park in the market instead. JC advised this would be too far from the Battersea site. Niall Watson (NW) explained that the van is often used to transport staff to and from Battersea for inductions. JC advised the van should only be waiting in Savona Street rather than parking, so the driver should always be on hand to

move the vehicle if required. HG advised that even with the driver available, the current situation is still affecting local residents.

MP asked how often the van visits Savona Street. NW advised it should arrive at ten minutes past every hour and leave at quarter past. Rosemarie Hazel (RH) advised the van often stays for longer than five minutes. JC advised he can raise the issue again with FLO's logistics manager and arrange for staff to be re-briefed. However, the van may sometimes arrive early if traffic is light.

MP asked if a workable solution could be found and asked when the van operates. NW confirmed the van operates between 8am and 5pm. MP commented that there should be no real issues between 10am and 4pm but the van could cause problems between 8am and 10pm and 4pm and 6pm.

RH commented that the van is often turned around in a reckless manner and does not stop for pedestrians. On a few occasions, her daughter has had to stop to avoid being hit by the van. Lots of children travel to school between 8am and 10am and the driver needs to be more aware of his surroundings.

MP asked for the driver to be particularly careful between 8am and 10am and 4pm and 6pm. If there is anything further that can be done to improve the situation during these times, it would be very helpful. CA advised the last pick-up of the day should take place at 5.15pm.

JC suggested some surveillance could take place to assess the problem further. MP advised it would be good to do this when the garbage truck is also in the road. RH commented that the garbage truck will not enter the road if there is an obstruction. MP explained that recycling is picked up on a different day from general rubbish.

Action 1: SD to liaise with his colleague Sam Emmett about the issue. Sam is an engineer and may be able to suggest some possible solutions.

HG suggested the van could perhaps wait in Kirtling Street instead. SD advised Kirtling Street is very busy because of the Tideway project. JC confirmed Kirtling Street is very tight and is often used by HGVs.

SD requested a solution is found to reduce the impact of the current situation on the local community.

MP suggested that if the van arrives ahead of schedule, perhaps it could drop off and then do a loop, rather than just waiting. JC commented that from an environmental perspective, the van would then be making unnecessary journeys. Action 2: JC will liaise with the Logistics Manager to explore how to improve the situation, especially the possibility of using an area on-site. However, he cannot promise an immediate solution.

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	MP advised that it is half-term w/c 22 October, whereby more children will be playing in the street throughout the day. Action 3: CA stated that FLO can also review how busy the van is throughout the day.	NLE
	- Point 3.33: SD confirmed he put Sophie Boyle (FLO) in touch with the Wandsworth Work Match team	
	 Point 5.1: SD advised that the Council has tried to encourage higher attendance at meetings of this CLG by putting out notifications via social media 	
	MP commented that it is difficult for her attend when she only finds out the date of the next meeting from the minutes of the previous meeting, which are only circulated two weeks beforehand.	
	Michael Flynn (MF) confirmed the next meeting will take place in January 2019 and a provisional date can be agreed tonight.	
	With regard to holding future meetings at the NLE site offices, MF advised the main issue is security. SD believes it is probably best to continue to hold meetings at the R.O.S.E Centre. Tharshika Sivagnanam (TS) confirmed that it could be difficult for people to gain access to the site if they arrive late.	
2.3	SD signed off the minutes as a fair and accurate representation of the previous meeting.	
2.4	HG expressed his thanks to the project for the equipment and staff provided for a successful community event on 14 September.	
3.0	NLE progress update and presentation	
3.1	Presentation by NW provided an update on progress at Battersea.	
3.2	Presentation from CA provided an update on complaints and enquiries received in relation to work at Battersea.	
3.3	Presentation from Matthew Brinklow (MB) provided an update on environmental monitoring at Battersea.	
3.4	CA provided an update on FLO's community engagement effort and passed on apologies from Sophie Boyle, FLO's Strategic Labour Needs and Training (SLNT) Manager. Sophie is in the process of engaging with local schools.	
3.5	CA advised that if any members of the local community are interested in visiting the site, she is more than happy to organise. It is probably best to keep these visits separate from the CLGs.	
3.6	MP asked if there is a local Work Match office. SD advised the local team has just moved to Vista. MP mentioned that another Work Match office is being built in Falcon Road.	

3.7	SD advised that if employment enquiries are received from local people, they can be directed to Work Match. CA advised enquiries of this type are sometimes received via the Helpdesk. SD suggested Sophie could coordinate these enquiries.	
3.8	MP advised that at a Tideway community meeting she attended previously, a tunnelling school was mentioned and residents were urged to get involved. SD advised FLO is also involved with the Tideway project.	
3.9	CA provided details of a new 'retraining' scheme starting in October. It consists of a two-week course at Capital City College to learn interview skills, etc, followed by a two-week work placement. CA advised TfL is participating, along with many other contractors.	
3.10	MP commented that she has never heard of Capital City College. JC confirmed it is located near to Warren Street station.	
3.11	CA has copies of flyers publicising the course with her today and will leave these behind for anyone who is interested.	
3.12	MP commented that it can be difficult for unemployed local people to travel into Central London, so local schemes are preferable.	
3.13	SD advised it is the 'Year of Engineering' and LB Wandsworth is keen to promote this, especially to young women and girls. The Council's arts team is trying to do a series of events and link these to career opportunities. Action 4: CA will advise Sophie Boyle, to see if FLO can participate/assist.	NLE
3.14	HG enquired about a passageway under Battersea Park Road. JC confirmed this is nothing to do with the NLE project. NW advised this passageway was closed the day before NLE took possession of the site. Luke Major (LM) advised this passageway is the responsibility of Battersea Power Station and he believes a series of legal agreements are currently being finalised. He will double-check and confirm.	
3.15	JC confirmed completion of the NLE project is scheduled before the end of 2020.	
3.16	MP asked when another site visit for residents would be possible. Action 5: JC advised the project can look to organise another visit for local residents.	NLE
3.17	SD believes a site visit would be interesting for schools too. It is now a good time to get people excited locally.	
3.18	MP enquired whether local schools are involved in producing artwork for the station. TS confirmed an artist has been commissioned to deliver the station artwork and TfL is working through the technical details of delivering this within a station environment.	

3.19	SD suggested TfL/FLO could look at doing some arts projects prior to opening, to get local people thinking about the development.	
3.20	MP asked if the artist will be producing tiles or ordinary artwork. TS confirmed there will be a piece along the wall at ticket hall level. The project is working with Art on the Underground who are curating the artwork.	
3.21	MP thinks there should be something by a local artist on display at the station.	
3.22	SD believes it is a good time to start to get the message across, to get local people interested and engaged. He sees this as an on-going effort between CA and the Council's Nine Elms community team. Action 6: SD to consider what is possible.	SD
4.0	Construction noise and vibration	
	Subject covered earlier during presentation by MB.	
5.0	Future agenda items	
5.1	SD asked attendees to think about what can be done locally to raise awareness and build a sense of excitement and anticipation.	
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Meeting started at 18:31 and finished at 19:22. Minutes drafted by MW.