

HEATON PARK EVENT COMMUNITY CONSULTATION GROUP
Thursday 4 October 2018 at Heaton Park



Present:

- Kirsten Flanagan - Heaton Park, MCC (Chair)
- Kylie Ward - Parks Lead, MCC
- Elaine Mottershead - Heaton Park, MCC (Minutes)
- Cath Keane - Neighbourhood Team Lead, MCC
- Councillor Shelley Lanchbury - Councillor for Higher Blackley Ward, Manchester
- Councillor Alan Quinn - Councillor for Sedgley Ward, Bury
- Councillor M D'Albert - Councillor for Holyrood Ward, Bury
- Resident representative - Cawley Terrace
- Resident representative - Old Hall Lane
- Resident representative - Bury Old Road
- Resident representative - Milton Road
- Resident representative - Sedgley Park Road
- Heaton Park Stakeholder - Heaton Park Tramway

Apologies:

- Councillor Paula Sadler
- Councillor John Farrell
- Resident representative - St Margaret's Road
- Resident representative - Deanswood Drive
- Resident representative - Upper Wilton Street
- Resident representative - Sheepfoot Lane

Ref.	Details	Action
1	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Kylie Ward introduced herself as the Chair for this meeting and introductions were made by everyone present.</p>	
2	<p>Minutes from the Previous Meeting held on 10 July 2018</p> <p>The resident representative from Old Hall Lane felt that the minutes did not portray the feeling of the meeting. It was acknowledged that it had been difficult for Kirsten to both Chair the meeting and take minutes at the same time. This has been rectified for today's meeting by introducing a separate Chair and dedicated minute taker.</p> <p>Kylie explained that some of the actions would not be resolved until the Planning for Parklife 2019 started in January 2019, and then a pre-Parklife 2019 meeting of the group would be convened.</p> <p>The actions from the previous meeting had been extracted into a table for ease of discussion. Kirsten talked through each point. An amended version is attached to these minutes.</p>	
3	<p>Review of Terms of Reference</p> <p>The Terms of Reference for this group were first introduced in 2011 and it had been agreed that there were due for review. A copy had gone out with the minutes of the previous meeting so that everyone had an opportunity to review and consider amendments. Some</p>	

	<p>changes were agreed and the document will be updated and recirculated.</p> <p>It was agreed that any new memberships would be by invitation/agreement of the Heaton Park General Manager. Councillor Quinn noted that it was sometimes difficult to get resident representatives on to the group and then retain them. It was agreed that, in light of this, we need to continue with the group but also look at other means of communication to as many residents as possible (see item 6 below).</p>	Elaine Mottershead
4	<p>Bonfire Night Event - 5 November 2018</p> <p>An update on the arrangements for Bonfire Night was tabled for the group. Kirsten met yesterday with the event planning group and the traffic management plan is being updated but unfortunately was not available for this meeting. The resident representative from Milton Road asked that they be considered and Kirsten confirmed that they had been included. It was also acknowledged that Sainsbury's car park was a hot spot last year and this is being looked at.</p> <p>There was a question about the timing of the event and whether it could always take place on the nearest weekend, rather than the actual 5 November. This would make it easier for residents who are dealing with rush hour traffic, trying to get home from work at the same time as the event. Kylie reported that this has been looked at before. However, MCC heavily substitute bonfire night events as a free community event. They work with partners to look at the best arrangements and timings and, Greater Manchester Fire Service, for example assist us with funding targets if we keep the event on 5 November. For them, the provision of a safe, professionally organised, large community event helps to reduce the numbers of incidents that they might need to deal with.</p> <p>Kirsten confirmed that residents letters, for Bonfire night, will only be delivered on those streets where there are traffic restrictions and/or road closures in place for the event. There is not a widespread delivery as there is for Parklife.</p>	Kirsten Flanagan
5	<p>Upcoming events</p> <p>Kirsten tabled a list of upcoming events. It was agreed that the time of each event would be added and the updated list will be circulated with these minutes.</p>	Elaine Mottershead
6	<p>Communication of Events</p> <p>There was some discussion about how we might improve our communication with residents, not just regarding major events but on regular activities happening in the park, particularly during the peak season. Suggestions included WhatsApp, Twitter, Facebook pages, local publications (eg. Bury & Whitefield "What's On"), leaflets delivered with newspapers etc). A question was asked regarding delivering information with Council Tax bills but Councillor Lanchbury confirmed that this is problematic and unlikely to be an option. It was agreed that a separate subgroup would be established to look specifically at this issue. Recipients of these minutes are encouraged</p>	

	to volunteer or make nominations for the subgroup. Please email interest to Elaine Mottershead, email e.mottershead@manchester.gov.uk or telephone 0161 773 1085.	
7	Any other business	
7.1	Old Hall Lane The representative from this area had a number of concerns generally about events at the park and the impact they have on Old Hall Lane. They have already approached Councillor Paula Sadler with a request for surfacing of the road and double yellow lines to be introduced. They were also concerned about changes to security for Parklife with appeared, to residents, to be a reduction. Kirsten confirmed this was not the case. In light of the number of the issues that the resident representative wished to raise, Kylie offered to meet separately for a detailed discussion.	Kylie Ward
7.2	Milton Road The representative from this area asked for Milton Road to be included in planning for any future events. It has been excluded in the past but due to its proximity to a pedestrian gate leading into Heaton Park, it often experiences visitor traffic congestion and parking issues.	Kirsten Flanagan
7.2	Residents Parking Permits A resident representative raised an issue about parking permits. They had applied for extra permits prior to Parklife but they were never delivered. He then went to the Maccabi Centre to collect them but there was quite a long queue and then people were being questioned about why they wanted to and where they live etc. It was acknowledged that MCC and Parklife try to make the process as smooth as possible and Kirsten will raise this as part of the event planning.	Kirsten Flanagan
8	Next Meeting The date for the next meeting will be confirmed. It is likely to be some time in April with Parklife representatives in attendance.	Elaine Mottershead