

## **Columbia TRA**

### **CTRA Committee Meeting minutes - 11 July 2022**

#### **Present from the committee**

Penny Creed (Vice Chair)  
Jonathan Moberly (Secretary)  
John Cotter  
Dave Sinclair  
Mussadik Miah  
Ed Furey (Treasurer)

#### **Councillors**

Kabir Ahmed, Asma Islam

#### **Residents**

Dominique B , Evo Mensh (JHH)

#### **Apologies**

Kevin, Belinda, Andrew Rixon, Pam

#### **Minutes June 2022 - matters arising**

##### **Dunmore Hut**

- Rent - £28 per month
- No official lease agreement
- GNA charges £15 per hour
- Rental income non-existent - pre-covid, cllrs income £90 per quarter for six hours
- occasional film crew hire
- Total income £500-800 per annum
- Alcoholics Anonymous and the Bengali Club use the hut for free
- For casual rental we would need to send an invoice

##### **OMS Scaffolding**

- Penny to send her presentation to cllrs

#### **ASB**

Old Market Square

- Kids running on scaffolding young adults were running around the scaffolding
- On Saturday they were planning loud music
- Police were called out three times
- Parkguard need
- Kevin More (Penny to connect JM with KM)

Other ASB issues - JHH, Wingfield House. S

Some issues with GLH<-> JHH (Rupsha to explain to JM)

#### **Bringing THH back in house (Kabir)**

THH is likely to be brought back in house (subject to consultation). There are various issues with the current arrangement that this should resolve ...

- Accounting difficulties between THH and LBTH - THH accounts (Housing Revenue Account) have not been reported in the LBTH accounts since 2016. Auditors have not been able to sign off the LBTH accounts for seven years.
- Contracts for LBTH to provide services for THH and vice-versa, a lot of miscommunication which residents then suffer from.
- consultation in terms of THH going back in house
- Almo contact was extended to 2024 .. will take 1-2 years to break.

#### **JHH - Planters (Dominique)**

Paul Gudge has just sent a letter after 17 months of waiting

- the planters proposal for JHH forecourt will be brought forward,



- little more information in the letter, no plans dates or schedules
- Dominique proposed a design originally but has had no specific response.
- Dominique to write back to Paul Gudge for more information.
- proposal to cost c. £80 per flat (leaseholders to be recharged).

### **Rose garden planning**

- Rose (Memorial) Garden - can we propose a resident-led growing project
- Can we get a planner to work on it? Or THH?
- Cllrs: **residents can consider applying for LIF funding for the garden**

### **Parking**

- Unenforceable parking is causing issues at Dunmore where bin lorries cannot access bins.
- JHH - emergency access routes often blocked
- When will the TMO be actioned? - No update. Waiting for funding.

### **Council Tax rebate**

- Council tax rebate - how will people be contacted? LBTH says they will send out letters and they haven't.
- People on direct debit have got the rebate.
- People not on DD are penalised.
- Kabir to get an update. **Musaddik to email Kabir with specific case, K. will raise a members enquiry.**

### **Liveable Streets**

- Issues with the consultation - date confusions and missing reply paid envelope. Kabir to check with Dan Jones (public realm divisional director).
- Kabir - manifesto pledge. The remainder of the program has been suspended. Consultations to engage with residents to see what the outcomes are and will be making a cabinet decision.
- Consultation is supposed to be until 31 July. Officers will collate the data, a report will be presented and a decision made.
- Questions re the flower market. If road blocks are removed, will the market have to return to its previous configuration occupying both pavements?
- Kabir - Dan Jones is divisional director responsible for both markets and roads so will be considering both
- **Asma to take back concerns about the market layout**
- Kabir - each piece of the consultation (i.e. each roadblock) will be considered separately depending on the results of the consultation. Not all-or-nothing. A number of shops on Columbia Road have approached him wanting the roads reopened.
- This is a pre-consultation 'informative' consultation. There will be another second stage consultation putting forward specific proposals before a cabinet decision.
- No consultation is legally binding
- Gosset St - modern road management rules dictate that it's too small to be re-opened two way. Because they have closed it, it can't now be reopened as a 2-way road.
- Asma: Binary choice on Arnold Circus is unfair as there needs to be mitigations for the night time economy
- Kabir - in support of a proper design solution.