

Hackney Wick Fish Island | Cultural Interest Group

**“Working together towards a permanent, sustainable,
creative economy in Hackney Wick and Fish Island”**

CIG Notes and Actions

Friday 12th March at 9.30-11am

Agenda:

1. Affordable Workspace Challenge - Celine Mionnet
2. The Hundred Rising - Kirsty Munro (ECB)
3. CDT Board Appointments - Alex Russell
4. Local Shared Delivery - Sarah Henderson
5. Design Futures Workshop - Graham Hitchen & Federico Vaz
6. AOB

Other updates: A12 Undercroft/Station Access/Monier Rd Bridge

ATTENDEES

Bettina Nyama – LB Hackney
Alex Russell – CDT
Wojtek Boden – Photographer
Abbey Oladapo – Three Sixtee
Tommo – Barge East
Carlotta Longo – Business Coach
Cath Carver – Colour My City
Catherine Smyth – LLDC
Cllr. Chris Kennedy – LB Hackney
Claire McAndrew – UCL
Daren Ellis – See Studio
Alexis Charles – London Louvre
Fede Vaz – LUL
Fiona Milsom – Colour Factory
Josephine Chime – Creative Wick
Cllr Jess Webb – LB Hackney
Joe Sharpe – Zhero
Justine Kenyon – QMUL
Karina Canales – Caramel Rock

Katherine Igoe-Ewer – Yard Theatre
 Kevin Skinner – Unit G
 Kirsty Munroe – ECB
 Lily Heaume – Hackney Wick Underground
 Lipi Begum – LCF
 Mabel Machado-Lopez – Creative Wick
 Mathieu Rogers – LB Hackney
 Neil McDonald – Stour Space/HW Underground
 Cllr. Nick Sharman – LB Hackney
 Nimrod Vardi – Arbeit
 Paul Reynolds – Tapestry Studio
 Sadia Ahmed – EWS
 Sara Henderson – Echo
 Tom Kihl – The Lococo
 Sam Bosede – The Wickers
 Sir William Atkinson – CRT
 Christiana G
 Nathanael Williams – The Colour Factory
 Graham Hitchen – LUL
 William Chamberlain – Creative Wick

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	<p>William Chamberlain, Chair, welcomes the participants to the 11th online meeting. Participants who joined for the first time introduced themselves.</p> <p>Previous Minutes noted. Agenda items read.</p>	<p>Register taken</p>
	<p>Celine Mionnet, Developer and Business Engagement Manager, Hackney Gov. - <i>Affordable Workspace Challenge</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GLA and Nesta Innovation challenge. - Hackney submitted a proposal around empty commercial space in private developments. - Tackling the affordability issue – Focus on fit-out. - An opportunity to have different conversations with developers, and to give them insights from innovators. 	<p>Contact Celine Mionnet for questions. Check the website.</p> <p>https://challenges.org/affordable-workspace-challenge/</p> <p>https://tech.london/resilience</p> <p>Timeframes here: https://tech.london/resilience</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1st April – deadline to submit the proposals 3 or 4 – will get around 10,000 to refine their solutions. - The GLA expects this to be a possible replicable solution. - Recommend to speak to Alex Russell, chair of the CDT, especially if not from HWFI area. <p>From the Q&A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Little chances that unsuccessful ideas would be stolen. - Spaces could be for makers and artists or the desktop-style (for animators, designers, etc.). The challenge should reflect what is needed in the area. - The max budget is 50,000 to work the problem out (capital costs not included). - This should be a catalyst. It is for encouraging developers to think about commercial space, to make it more attractive and affordable to local people. - Important: to manage expectations around the number of units that may be transformed as a result of this work. Maybe it will spark to just one developer, maybe more. <p>Samia Ahmed: We are very keen to help you with this project – need to know the timing because our workforce will be shrinking.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celine and Samia will continue the conversation later. <p>Neil McDonald: Developers don't stick to s106 agreements. It is easier to leave spaces empty and much more profitable for many.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neil and Samia to share with Celine information and resources that could potentially contribute to the report. 	
2.	<p>Kirsty Munro (ECB), Campaign Manager for England and Wales Cricket Board -<i>The Hundred Rising</i></p> <p>Competition (cricket, sports and music.)- Will be launched this summer.</p>	<p>Please, share with your networks. https://www.thehundred.com/rising</p>

	<p>CV enhancement opportunity for up-and-coming talent to develop their skills. – For those looking to work in the world of sports and entertainment.</p> <p>Mostly paid opportunities. Via recruitment process with partners. A minimum of 100. There are currently 32 roles advertised on the website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • William Chamberlain will connect Kirsty with some organisations in the area, LMA, SWEN, Here East. • The Wickers and Neil McDonald- to continue the conversation with Kirsty about the chance to link this to the government’s Kickstart scheme. 	<p>Contact Kirsty on: Kirsty.Munro@ecb.co.uk</p>
3.	<p>Alex Russell- CDT Board Appointments</p> <p>The CDT finished the recruitment of new board members. They were inundated with proposals.</p> <p>Now they are reaching to people who will not be on the board but who could contribute to the mission of securing affordable spaces in the area for the long term.</p> <p>In the future- How do we have more structure for community organisations? How can we involve them structurally with the local authorities?</p>	<p>Alex Russell: alex@wickcdt.org</p> <p>See the list of board members here: https://www.wickcdt.org/blog/new-directors-appointed-to-the-board</p>
4.	<p>Sarah Henderson, Echo- Local Shared Delivery</p> <p>Project to develop a shared a delivery scheme (hyperlocal) for HWFI.</p> <p>Currently Research stage. Keen to hear about resident’s experiences about delivery. They are not creating solutions yet.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • William Chamberlain will contact Sarah for a potential collaboration with The Wick newspaper. <p>Joe Sharpe: We could think if this would work as a Service provider or be a more radical collaboration project.</p>	<p>Please get in touch if you want to get involved or if you can connect them with other residents.</p> <p>https://www.circularlife.co.uk/green_hwfi</p> <p>People can book in directly to chat to us here: https://calendly.com/hwfi-deliveries/30min</p>
	<p>Federico Vaz, Loughborough University London - Design Futures Workshop</p> <p>This AHRC part-funded project explores what support structures and interventions could help sustain and build a vibrant and robust community in HWFI.</p>	<p>Get in touch with Federico if you are interested in participating in the workshops. f.vaz@lboro.ac.uk</p>

	<p>The findings will feed into national discussions on creative cluster development and inform local and regional support.</p> <p>Two online workshops- March 19th and 26th.</p> <p>Aim: Creating insight into how communities are recovering from Covid 19 and beyond.</p> <p>Vouchers for participants - to use in a local hostelry (the equivalent to the London living wage).</p>	
5.	<p>AOB- Claire Mc Andrew, UCL- A12 Undercroft Work commissioned by the Canal and River Trust. Small budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Aim: Evidence base to support the redevelopment that is going forward. - Focuses on compiling the historical documentation to clarify the work that has been done and the achievements. <p>Lead by Neil McDonald, Cath Carver; with some input from Alex Russell. Working also with Mathew Rogers from the Hackney Council, and with TFL. Hoping to have the results by the end of March.</p> <p>Mathieu Rogers-Hackney Council – HW station entrance -Wallis Road. It is in the hand of the lawyers; they had to consider questions of safety, etc., but near completion now.</p> <p>Catherine Smyth LLDC -Monier Road Bridge-H14- It is opening in April for pedestrians and cyclists and in February 2022 for buses.</p> <p>William Chamberlain: What is the community engagement of Balfour Beatty? Sadia Ahmed, Sarah Henderson, Neil McDonald and Paul Reynolds offered examples of their community engagement.</p> <p>Most information about their projects has been shared through the LLDC’ newsletter.</p> <p>Tom- The Wick Newspaper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Next printed edition – May 2021. - Editorial focus: Rebuilding the local economy. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Neil McDonald to contact Tom with some material. <p>It would be great to have a memorial for the Stour Space Building in the paper.</p> <p>Daren Ellis will take on the social media channels for The Wick. Looking forward to discussing with other residents what should be featured there.</p>	Neil@stourspace.co.uk
	Thanks everyone!	MEETING CLOSED AT 11.00 am