

Hackney Wick Fish Island | Cultural Interest Group

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

CIG Meeting Notes and Actions March 2020

The CIG meeting on Friday 13th March

Time: 9.30 -11am

Location: [Trowbridge Gardens](#) 1 Trowbridge Road, E9 5LD London

Attendees:

William Chamberlain (Chair) - Creative Wick/CDT
Alexis Charles, (Actions) SMEs Network, London Louvre
Cllr. Nick Sharman – LB Hackney
Charli Bristow – HWFI CEZ Manager
Briony Fleming – UCL
Rhian Cowburn – Strong + Bendy
Alex Gordon – Jestico + Whiles
Alan Peacock – Stock Wool
Fred Drabble – Shaw Corporation
Sam Hansford – The Yard Theatre/Hub 67/CDT
Katherine Igoe-Ewer – The Yard Theatre/Hub 67
Rowan Longhurst – Our Parklife CIC
Nat Mady - Hackney Herbal
Tom Kihl – The Loco
Sadia Ahmed – East Wick and Sweetwater
Claire McAndrew – UCL Bartlett
Kevin Skinner – Unit G Gallery
Imogen Bath – Four Communications
Samia Malik – Artist
Faith Johnson – Caramel Rock
Nimrod Vardi – Arbeit
Lorna Blake – Hackney Wick and Fish Island
Tony Westbrook – LLDC
Giles Roddy – Crate Brewery
Fiona Oates – BBC Arts
Alexandra Heybourne – BBC Arts
Hajni Semsei – Arbeit
Neil McDonald – Stour Space/CDT
Rebecca Feiner – Artist
Simon Cole – Hackney Tours
Mathieu Rogers – LB Hackney

Notes & Actions

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1.	<p>W. Chamberlain, Chair welcomed the participants. Previous Minutes noted and agreed. All participants introduced themselves including new members.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Register taken
2.	<p>The Yard Theatre Update – a National Portfolio organisation’s 10th Birthday. - Sam Hansford & Katherine Igoe-Ewer</p> <p>Queens Yard Development - Matt Harmer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parts of the Arts councils MPO. • Jay Artistic director built the yard with a focus on plays, make theatre, music events nights, and runs festival yearly • Offered management of Hub 67 Hall built by LLDC. • Programmes setup work with local young people 15 – 19 years. Charli Bristow, Future of London based, 67 the Hub • Created an opportunity to develop a new space within Queens Yard as part of Section 106. Awarded funding Mayor of “London Good Growth Fund” which allows the building of new space. An innovative model which includes a theatre that bleeds into a community centre. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last publication was 2016 and there is a need a for another public announcement. • Multimillion-pound consultation. • LLDC to ensure there are transition plans, including phasing and timing. • Currently applying for planning permission started about 4 years ago. Amended the application with enhancements early 2020) • Awaiting outcome Update will be provided
3.	<p>Alex Gordon – Jestico + Whiles Alan Peacock – Stock Wool Fred Drabble – Shaw Corporation</p> <p>Giles Roddy, Head of Business Operations - Crate Brewery</p> <p>Distinctions between unit 8 to unit 14 to clarify what is Crate Brewery. (Artists in unit 9)</p> <p>Yard owned by Pearl and Coutts Crate Brewery. Not happy about relocation details e.g. Phasing,</p>	<p>Gave an update on revised plans for development of Queens Yard by Pearl & Coutts</p> <p>Clarification about what the transition is about and what is there.</p> <p>Will contact Giles Roddy. Head of Business Operations.</p> <p>(Unit 9) 20% of new housing need to be discounted and the conversations is ongoing. Section 106 peppercorn lease to be addressed and reviewed.</p>

	<p>communication. Others were interested and % of affordable /social housing and workspace.</p>	<p>Communication with many of the Queens Yard tenants and local residents has not been good. Inappropriate to re-submit a planning application yet. Concerns that tenants like Crate Brewery and the artist studio holders in Unit 9 know little about the plans and timescales.</p> <p>Good idea if Pearl & Coutts were to conduct a thorough mailout with a new series of public consultations on the revised proposal.</p>
	<p>London Legacy - Vivian Murinde LLDC Good Growth Hub Programme: focuses on Training and Development Greater representation and industry led needed training Conversation with employers. Focuses on Key growth sectors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative • Digital • Apprenticeships – work on apprenticeship levy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop areas on entry level jobs • It was suggested that the building may be linked to a unique library and training space • Will offer a construction centre on the park that will deliver skills for the construction. • Pilot the model: The site has a lease for 5 years – 8 years(sm) the space will move to a more permanent home 	<p>Need tender for a provider to run the space and deliver some of the programmes discussed.</p> <p>Check on website. See News Section for more details</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Physical Space on the QEO park 2. Creative skills and employment centre and open 2020? <p>Launching and ITT delivery manager July – September. Many targets and key questions: – How will you ensure each area is focused? How are you going to communicate with young people? What is the difference between you and Workplace?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion for Good growth Hub community board to be open for people to join.
<p>3.</p>	<p>Coronavirus – What are the support packages available for local SMEs regarding Conv 19?</p> <p>Covid 19 Virus business interruption loan mentioned.</p> <p>Prime Minister Boris Johnson advises against mass gatherings including social venues, pubs should be avoided.,</p>	<p>https://www.gov.uk/government/news/coronavirus-business-support-to-launch-from-today</p> <p>Live CIG meetings have been cancelled until further notice</p>

	Organisers will meet via teleconference on	
4.	<p>Local business spotlight Caramel Rock</p> <p>-</p> <p>Faith - Caramel Rock - Art Charity -work in partnership with Newham Council</p>	<p>Need to deliver in Hackney Wick and require space to delivery service. BTEC and NVQ</p> <p>Please contact faith on: faith.j@caramelrock.com</p>
5.	<p>BBC - Fiona Oates Key Leader on BBC Arts Festivals</p> <p>BBC PROGRAMMES: Get Creative – Age of Creativity -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Supporting small arts organisations to help amplify their activity to encourage the public to be as creative as possible. Opportunities for coverage of events. •9 to 17 May this year. (9 days festivals) •Little groups creative activities. •BBC will be moving to East And launch CPD Programme. 	<p>Looking for stories</p> <p>It's a festival to celebrate creativity and amplify what is going on.</p> <p>Encourage people to take pictures.</p> <p>Need to share with little groups.</p> <p>How do we ensure that it is a continuous process to engage the community?</p> <p>The BBC will come back to speak at the CIG</p> <p>NB since the meeting the Get Creative Festival has been postponed. More info here: https://getcreativeuk.com/</p>
6.	<p>A Balanced Life - Kevin Hempstead</p> <p>https://kevinhempstedcounsellor.com/a-balanced-life</p>	<p>Health and Wellbeing counsellor based in White Post Lane that helps men to talk, provides a safe space.</p> <p>Also working with a charity that provides opportunities for young people to train as ski and snowboard instructors</p> <p>Contact Kevin on kfh01@icloud.com</p>
7.	<p>Trowbridge Gardens - Nimrod Vardi/Thingy/Strong & Bendi</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nat – Hackney Herbal • Rhianna – Fitness Studio. 7-year lease – yoga parties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nat from Hackney Herbal – to connect people, plants to promote local wellbeing, monthly volunteer session.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strongandbendy.co.uk • Gallery Space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsorship: Team London. Will have a Party on 20 June. Trowbridgegardens.com • Rhian Cowburn– Fitness Studio. 7-year lease – yoga parties • Strongandbendy.co.uk. • Men’s shed for older isolated men to support and address social isolation. • Gallery Space – Looking for ideas to develop
8.	LLDC Hackney Wick Station: In collaboration with LLDC a Fire exit that opens on Wallis Road)	License to be signed after under path is configured.
9.	Tom Kihl – Loco Local Newspaper - Journalism. Local content company writes about local affairs	Discuss ability to report and share content through a newspaper
10.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	Friday April 3 rd 9.30am via an online platform tbc’d