

Minutes of the meeting on Friday 11th of October 2013 Held at: **The Yard Theatre, Queens Yard, Hackney Wick**

"Helping to establish a permanent, sustainable, creative community in Hackney Wick."

In attendance:

Present:

Tracie Trimmer- Chair
Paddy Looney – HWFI Resident
Will Teasdale – LB Hackney
Trine Garrett - Foreign Affairs
Paul Garrett - Translater
Seb Glover - Shapes Hackney aka Colourworks
Hajni Semsei - Arbeit
Mark Kennedy - E20 Fishing Club
Leanne Hoogwarts - LLDC
Valli van Zyl - Strand East
Lee Wilshire - Stour Space
Adrianna Marques - LLDC
Layla Conway - LLDC

Minutes of last meeting: It was noted that September's minutes wrongly state that the meeting took place at the Cre8 centre when it was in fact hosted by 90 Main Yard.

1. Canal Towpath: Eleanor and Lee are trying to get feedback on this. The LBTH /Canal River Trust are responsible for the lighting. Mike from E20 has been asking the LLDC to give them their old CCTV cameras but he does not feel he is being listened to. There is a great deal of concern since the crime rate has risen with attacks on the tow path and boat dwellers being held up by knives on a nightly basis. The CAP and Community Police Team have not attended the CIG meetings and this is something that we would appreciate them doing. TTP agreed to try to contact the local team on behalf of the CIG. Adriana will follow up with Sophie Herch at the LLDC and Will Teasdale will follow up with LBTHamlets and 3 Mills. Layla will contact the LLDC youth team at LBTH and Lee agreed to facilitate a meeting between all parties.

It has been reported that a stolen van has been seen regularly in the Wick and the Police have asked to be called if it is seem again. It is a white transit van registration Y648 SBY and has AVA group written on it in red/orange writing.

2. **Hackney House**. Tori is leading on this but was not at the meeting. However Will advised that there is a lot of interest in this and anyone making things in the Wick,

particularly food and drink should consider taking part. James from Bamboo Bikes and Andreas from Publicworks have both expressed an interest in taking part. Contact Will.Teasdale@hackney.gov.uk if interested.

3. **Safer Neighbourhood Teams** again Will said he would chase them and express the groups desire for them to attend the next meeting - especially with a view to discussing the rise in crime rates.

AOB:

- 1. Will reported that Hackney are looking at a series of consultations around **affordable work spaces** across the borough and anyone wanting to get involved should find the details on the Hackney Council website. The deadline is 21st October. email Business@hackney.co.uk
- 2. **Business rates** Hackney are consulting on this and it is a good time to rally together to have some input into this and influence policy. Contact Will T if interested.
- 3. **Adriana** reminded the meeting that there is a meeting with iCity at 90 Main Yard on Weds evening to enter into a discussion about **affordable work spaces** in the Wick.

There is going to be a **vintage Xmas fair** on the park and applications are open for stall holders. The deadline is the 1st November.

- 4. **Lee** reported that the planning permission contact from TH has been average and he will circulate a link to all who might want to get involved.
- 5. **Layla** said that the 5 million plan has been accepted to redevelop the station which will hopefully be complete in 2015.
- 6.Rubbish on the canal was discussed and it is thought that Fountains are responsible for this. **E20 Fishing** are due to take over the waterways water rights from Limehouse to Tottenham Hale with responsibility for litter and bailiffing. Their volunteer members will be working on the litter problem.
- 7. **Anna** reminded people that there is a **Wicked thank you party** this evening at the Crate pop up.
- 8. **Mike** said that he was hoping that **UB40** might do a free concert in the Wick and he will keep us updated.

The next CIG meeting is on Friday $8^{\rm th}$ November at 9.30am at The White Building in Hackney Wick.