



**Neighbourhood Forum**  
**Tuesday, 11th April 2017 @ 17.30pm**  
**Trust Administration Room 6**  
**Christie Trust HQ**

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Membership:</b> Cllr Andrew Simcock – AS (Chair) Joanne Fitzpatrick – JF (The Christie) Jason Dawson – JD (The Christie) Cllr Chris Paul – CP Cllr John Leech – JL Cllr James Wilson – JW	<b>Residents:</b> Doug Edwards - DE Stuart Bracewell – SFB Majorie McSweeney – MM Michelle Ashworth - MA Roger Smith – RS Jim Machin – JM Madeleine Rose – MR Colleen Scott – CS Peter Smith – PS Peter Walch - PW
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<b>In attendance</b>	Will Blair – WB, Bernard Flanagan - BF, Rosie Gill - RG, Maggie Doyle – MD (The Christie) Rob Dillon – RD (MCC) Peter Rowe (Turley), Colin Dowell (Interserve)
<b>Minutes:</b>	Will Blair – WB (The Christie)

<b>Apologies:</b>	Cllr Andrew Fender Cllr Susannah Reeves Cllr Rebecca Moore Cllr Josie Teubler Cllr Chris Willis – CW Cllr Kelly Simcock Cllr Garry Bridges Cllr David Ellison	Dave Roscoe – DR (MCC) James Bromfield – JB Mark Valentine – MV (MCRC) Adrian Burt – AB Gavin White – GW
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- 1. Chair's welcome** **Action**  
The Chair welcomed members to the meeting.
- 2. Apologies for absence**  
Apologies were noted.
- 3. DRAFT Minutes of last meeting**  
The minutes were approved with amendments as a correct record. (Amended minutes of the 10.1.17 attached).



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As there were a number of areas questioned for accuracy, it was recommended by JF that we should start audio recording the meeting to assist with producing the notes. This practice is used at meetings of similar size where it can be difficult to get all comments down. JF to discuss with chair.

**JF**

Actions from the minutes:

CD

**Construction noise** – AS requested an update on the construction noise and if MA was satisfied that the matter had been resolved. MA informed the forum that she believed the noise was still issue and that there was excessive noise at 07:45 this morning. CD informed the forum he was not aware of any excessive noise as he had been onsite early today. MA claimed that the noise had reach 70db this morning. CD clarified that 70db is not considered excessive noise. MA disagreed with this opinion. CD agreed to meet with MA to discuss this matter further.

JL reminded the forum of his earlier suggestion that the Christie should consider writing into future contracts the work cannot start until 08:30 to address resident concerns.

#### 4. Gold standard Award Transport For Greater Manchester

WB delivered a presentation detailing the Trust being awarded Transport for Greater Manchester Gold standard Travel choices accreditation to celebrate the success of organisations that are considered regional leaders in sustainable travel.

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/about-us/our-future/our-developments/neighbourhood-forum/>

DE referring to the S106 report queried when the post code analysis data will be available. WB informed the forum that we will need to allow up to two months.

DE question if the modal shift is likely to be achieved as the current survey indicated that it had flattened. WB explained that upon receiving the survey result new actions for the travel plan had been agreed to build upon the previous successes and aim to regain momentum. New initiatives include monthly free bicycle maintenance sessions and monthly cyclist breakfast.

Additional cycle stands were to be developed with The Trust funding a new compound, and 10 additional cycle stands as part of the of the Airport's Clean City Programme. These would be located by the MCRC directly off the Wilmslow Road cycleway.

It was discussed how the survey results indicated public transport improvements as the main motivator to change to sustainable travel and how this appeared outside the Trust control. WB referred to the Bus Bill that the elected mayor will have the option to approve for Greater Manchester. It would bring buses back into a regulated system and could look at simplifying ticketing options and additional services. WB highlighted that recently the X41 and 84 services had been discontinued and these were some of the few services that operated off the main Didsbury to City centre route. WB informed the forum that TfGM were open to a suggestion he had made that a workshop is held for businesses in Manchester to fully understand how the Bus Bill would work in practice. Furthermore to ensure expectations for the bill were clear and realistic.

JL queried how many staff take up the offer of discounted public transport tickets. WB informed the forum it was circa 50 for the monthly/weekly tickets and around 10 for annual tickets. JL expressed the view that as you are most likely to change someone mode of travel when they start a new job, what does the Trust do to find out how many new starters take up sustainable travel offers. WB responded that currently all information is taken form the annual travel survey. JL advised that the Trust should look into surveying new starters shortly after taken on their positions to get this information. JF and WB agreed that this was a valid point and worthwhile investigating to see if it could be done.

WB

AS closed off the discussion suggesting that more information needs to get to residents regarding the work on sustainable travel as some of the feedback he has received has suggested some residents are unaware of what the Trust does. WB advised the forum that he was meeting with the Trust communication and marketing team to review our

communication strategy. WB added there would be a summary of key actions in the next issue of neighbourhood news. **WB**

## **5. Ballbrook conservation area parking group**

JF opened the discussion by informing the forum that JF and JD had attended a meeting of the Ballbrook conservation area parking group. SFM took the opportunity to thank JF and the local Councillors for attending the meeting.

JM provided some feedback on a street parking survey that had been conducted by residents of the Ballbrook conservation area. JM informed the forum that at 6am 160-170 cars were parked and it has been assumed that these were residents. At the 11am count this had increased to 300 cars parked within the conservation area, with only 70 cars assumed to be residents. There were reported to be circa 180-190 cars parked there all day. JM informed the forum that the Ballbrook conservation area parking group believe the vast majority of these cars are Christie staff and that it is evidence for the need to extend the parking restriction zone.

JM acknowledged from surveying staff that park in the Ballbrook conservation area that it is clear staff come from a wide catchment area due to the specialists skills needed for their roles. Therefore many of these staff members have little choice but to use their cars.

PW supported the Ballbrook conservation area parking group's conclusion as Westholme Road faced similar issues on a daily basis.

## **6. Neighbourhood working group**

RS opened the agenda item by requesting clarification on the name as it is being referred to as the car parking working group and the neighbourhood working group. PR confirmed it was the neighbourhood working group.

CS voiced her overall disappointment with the process as she had raised fellow resident's expectations. The people who should be involved with the process are those affected directly by any proposed development. CS suggested a drop in for residents that live closest to the proposed sites.

AS asked CS for clarity on one of the written feedback points regarding the NWG. One of the points that had been raised related to the appropriateness of AS as chair of the neighbourhood forum.

CS believed that AS had links to other groups where there is a possible conflict of interest.

AS put this issue to members of the forum.

JL informed the forum that he does have some sympathy for residents living close to the proposed sites. However he does think AS chairs the meeting as fairly and equitably as possible and does not think anyone round the table has no 'interests'.

SFM felt he could speak on behalf of the Ballbrook conservation area parking group and say they had no questions or concerns regarding the integrity of AS in the role of the chair of the neighbourhood forum.

MM also felt that AS was always fair in the role.

JF closed off the debate by clarifying that although AS is a Christie Governor he has no decision making authority at the Trust and AS was no different than any other member of the NF as every person around the table was conflicted about the issues discussed at the NF

CP raised the issue that no one from Withington or Old Moat had attended the NWG which he felt was a concern. JL queried the invite process and expressed the view that one councillor from each area should be invited.

PR agreed to invite resident representatives from streets adjacent to the proposed car parks. **PR**

PR delivered a presentation to provide feedback from the first meeting of the NWG.

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/media/5481/cnf2-presentation.pdf>

PR opened the floor to questions.

A debate on the HS2 ventilation shaft planned for the Car Park D site took place. JD informed the forum that the Trust had attended an initial meeting with the HS2 representation and lodged concerns regarding patient parking. A second meeting with HS2 representation is to be held in May-17. The outcome from the first meeting was that they were open to support a proposal for a modular car park, but would not support a significant development. MM question if the Trust would have funds for a temporary modular car park. JF and JD confirmed that affordability and ROA would be concerned as part of the business case. CP queried how much of the Car Park D site would be effected by HS2. PR confirmed that the whole site would be taken.

MR felt everything was covered in the presentation.

PR informed the forum that as part of the engagement process there would be a leaflet drop.

DE asked if the presentation from the NWG could be made available. JF agreed to have it uploaded on the forum web pages. **WB**

SFM added that it is not just those residents near to the site that will be affected by any decisions regarding the proposed car parks.

CP expressed the view that a clear justification will need to be made for all groups affected and the design needs to be appropriate for a residential area.

## **7. Terms of reference**

Members reviewed the terms of reference to agree if there were any amendments. It was agreed that membership needs updated. CP recommended that someone from the Withington area needed inviting. WB to upload the amended terms of reference onto the forum pages. **WB**

## **8. AOB**

**PBT** – JD informed the forum the a 1000 tonne crane will be in place on Oak Road directly West of the Oak Road Treatment Centre drop off bays from the 5<sup>th</sup> June, the crane will be on site for 20 weeks. It will require one half of Oak Road to be closed and will result in a parking suspension being in place opposite the crane for the duration of the works.

**External lights on construct site** - MA requested that the lights on the site are not left on during the night. CD Lights should only be turned on at night during the patrol. CD will speak to the guard that is on duty to remind them of the procedure. **CD**

**Street cleaning** - DE took time to thank the Trust for the street cleaning that had took place recently.

## **9. Next meeting**

4<sup>th</sup> July 2017 @ 17:30 – 19:00