

**Neighbourhood Forum**  
**Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021**  
**Minutes**

<b>Members</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Present / Apologies</b>
Cllr. Andrew Simcock (Chair)	Didsbury East Councillor	Present
Joanne Fitzpatrick	The Christie	Apologies
Stuart Keen	The Christie	Present
Doug Edwards	Resident	Apologies
Cllr. Kelly Simcock	Didsbury East Councillor	Apologies
Dave Roscoe	MCC	Present
Gavin Evans	MCC	Present
Peter Smith	Resident	Present
Marie Nixon	Resident	Apologies
Marjorie McSweeney	Resident	Present
Stuart Bracewell	Resident	Present
Roger Smith	Withington Civic Society	Present
Cllr. Gavin White	Old Moat Councillor	Present
Rosie Gill	The Christie	Present
Will Blair	The Christie	Present
Cllr. Chris Wills	Withington Councillor	Present
Madeleine Rose	Resident	Present
Cllr. John Leech	Didsbury West Councillor	Present
Jim Machin	Resident	Present
Cllr. Richard Kilpatrick	Didsbury West Councillor	Present
Cllr. James Wilson	Didsbury East Councillor	Present
Mhorag Goff	Resident	Present
Cllr. Becky Chambers	Withington Councillor	Present
Bernard Flanagan	The Christie	Present
Cllr. Greg Stanton	Didsbury West Councillor	Present
Bill Ibram	Resident	Present
Peter Walch	Resident	Present
Richard Wilks	Resident	Apologies
Cllr. Suzannah Reeves	Old Moat Councillor	Apologies
Cllr. Garry Bridges	Old Moat Councillor	Apologies
Clare Kenyon	MCC	Present
Rupak Patel	Local Dialogue	Present

		Action
<b>01/21</b>	<b>Standard Business</b>	
<b>a</b>	<b>Chair's Welcome and Introductions</b> The Chair welcomed members to the meeting.	
<b>b</b>	<b>Apologies for absence</b> Noted above.	
<b>c</b>	<b>Minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2020</b> Noted as a correct record.	
<b>d</b>	<b>Matters arising</b> All matters arising are covered on the agenda for this meeting.	
<b>02/21</b>	<b>CPZ Extension Update</b>	
	<p>Claire Kenyon (CK) attended the meeting to provide an update on the CPZ extension scheme. CK stated that the programme has been delayed slightly and has not yet been submitted for delegated approval but that this will happen in the next couple of weeks. This has been mainly due to the pandemic and internal resources which has affected the ability to deliver a scheme of this size and therefore will take longer through systems and approvals. This process then has to go through the legal process for the drafting and the statutory consultation period. CK stated that all this information will be communicated but work is ongoing to make sure this is implemented in a timely manner. CK informed members that it could be sometime in May for commencing the statutory advertising period which is a 21 day period.</p> <p>JL raised a minor point that could the road markings be as close to the kerb as possible as others he has seen in the areas near Didsbury Point are not and it looks like they are in the middle of road and look wrong. CK noted these comments.</p> <p>RK raised a question regarding when the scheme goes through the legal process and the consultation begins. He wondered if it is correct that representation by residents is dealt with like an objection as this can be a long process and thought that a timeline would be helpful to manage expectations. CK agreed to look into this and will feedback on this point.</p> <p>CW requested that updates on the scheme be noted in the neighbourhood newsletter as this would be helpful for residents. SK agreed to this.</p> <p>MR asked if the consultation included residents in the existing scheme and in particular what changes have been made to the existing scheme. For example, including part of Oak Road as 'residents only' as she understood that residents on Rathen Road wanted some 'resident only' parking.</p> <p>CK stated that the responses received had been re-assessed and that when the scheme goes to statutory consultation it is done in a legal format and residents can request all documents and will be able to look at those specific areas. The scheme arrived at is not yet approved but is being put forward for approval.</p> <p>AS wished CK well with the legal process and thanked her for attending this evening's meeting. He stated he looked forward to early notice of any information to circulate to members.</p> <p><b>CK left the meeting.</b></p>	<p><b>CK</b></p> <p><b>SK</b></p>
<b>03/21</b>	<b>Tree Planting update</b>	
	<p>This item specifically related to tree planting between the Christie site and Withington village. SK had taken an action from last time to meet with a number of representatives. SK advised that no meeting had taken place as yet but he will follow up on this matter and arrange a meeting and walkround. This will be an agenda item at the next meeting in June 2021.</p> <p>RS stated that it will be much better to take place on site and not on Zoom. SK stated this was his intention and will arrange accordingly.</p>	<p><b>SK/KB</b></p> <p><b>SK</b></p>

04/21	<b>Neighbourhood Newsletter</b>	
	<p>SK reported that at the previous meeting of the neighbourhood forum, discussion had taken place about frequency and content of this newsletter which had resulted in it being produced every three weeks. SK stated that it continues to be more Paterson focussed but in the coming weeks there will be regular updates regarding the tiered car park. SK asked those present if they are still happy to receive this newsletter every three weeks or if more frequent information is required from the trust and therefore it reverts back to fortnightly?</p> <p>MG stated that she felt the newsletter was very good and the frequency was fine. She added her only comment would be that sometimes the news seems quite late and a little more advance notice would be better.</p> <p>SK stated that this was a valid comment and was probably due to the process of approving the drafts between him and the Comms team. SK will take the feedback to try to forecast better and perhaps provide some bullet points for future activities from now on as this is a very fair comment.</p>	SK
05/21	<b>TfGM platinum award for the travel plan</b>	
	<p>WB attended the meeting to present this item.</p> <p>WB stated that this award is open to all organisations in Greater Manchester. The trust had previously achieved the gold standard for all initiatives. Last year the platinum award was introduced and the trust was awarded this. Two main reasons for achieving this award was the work with new starters and job adverts and the monitoring of sustainable travel through surveys. Bike maintenance sessions, public transport offers, park and ride are also commendable achievements. The new freedom to ride scheme has been introduced with a revised package value cap of £6,000 and has been well received by the bicycle user group. The Christie is now seen as a benchmark for trusts across the country for the amount of engagement undertaken and transparency in promoting active green travel. The trust is also introducing a working from home policy and the trust will look at the data and encourage more of this in the future obviously taking into account the needs of the service. WB also shares best practice with other trusts and organisations.</p> <p>In the future, the trust will provide more bicycle maintenance sessions and this will be free of charge. The trust will also have additional cycle facilities and will build upon remote working and offer greater flexibility for staff.</p> <p>AS extended his congratulations to WB and the team for being the first trust in the North West to attain this award. He reminded the forum that The Christie is exemplary in green travel and that £6,000 will buy a great bike, probably electric, which will increase the distance people can travel to get to work.</p>	
06/21	<b>The Christie Capital Development update</b>	
	<p>SK informed members that Chris Noble had recently retired from The Christie and that they may remember him for all the work he carried out with the group.</p> <p>AS asked SK to pass on his personal thanks to Chris for all his support with the Neighbourhood forum.</p> <p>SK stated that at the last neighbourhood forum meeting, his presentation covered a lot of detail on the trust's Covid response work but this time SK intended to focus more on the main capital projects.</p> <p><b>Paterson build:</b></p> <p>SK acknowledged that there had been some recent parking issues with contractors parking on a waiting area and also an email that was sent out incorrectly but this now seems to have been resolved.</p> <p>Works are now completing on the ground floor and work is taking place on the lift shafts and staircases and the upper floors. Overall, the contractor remains on programme with work due to finish in December 2022.</p>	

	<p><b>Christie at Macclesfield:</b>  This build is the Trust's 3<sup>rd</sup> satellite site. Vinci are the contractor and work started in July 2020. SK stated that he is delighted at the progress made so far in 8 months. The trust has appointed Vinci for the car park build and that it is hoped to see similar progress with the tiered car park.</p> <p><b>Tiered car park:</b>  As already stated, the trust has appointed Vinci Construction for the car park build. SK reminded members that this build is a planning condition of the Paterson and was paused due to Covid. Work commenced in March and is due for contractual completion in March 2022. The trust has negotiated with Vinci to use some of the spaces from December 2021. There will be 12 electric vehicle charging bays and maybe more in the future.</p> <p>SK stated that a key requirement for the scheme is the design being to the national ParkMark initiative, which moves away from dark and gloomy car parks into a much lighter area with greater surveillance and therefore greater protection of people and vehicles.</p> <p>There is great awareness for the quality of the scheme and the trust is very much aware of the need to make sure the landscaping works, they are good neighbours and the scheme fits with the environment.</p> <p>SK also showed a slide noting the tree plan which is consistent with the original planning application. He also showed a slide detailing the living wall which provides habitat for wildlife and also includes an automatic watering system. There is an obligation under the planning permission to keep this living wall in good repair and SK stated that the trust's gardener will look after this. The trust also intends to invest in some more mature trees.</p> <p><b>Combined Heat &amp; Power System:</b>  SK stated this contract has been signed with Vital Energi and that construction work will start shortly.</p> <p><b>Other works:</b>  Other small works ongoing include floor replacement and lighting. The trust's smallest project is the opening of the CAR-T Ward which is nearing completion. SK concluded by showing a slide of the trust's garden which is looking awash with colour which should give confidence to residents that the gardener will tend to the car park living walls equally as well.</p> <p>AS thanked SK for an excellent presentation with a huge amount of information. SB raised the issue of the planting scheme at the car park and wanted to congratulate SK and his team on what looked like a wonderful approach. There are plants of great variety and wildlife which is really commendable.</p> <p>MG also wanted to second what SB stated and thinks it is a very well-considered design and really quite impressive.</p> <p>AS asked DR what his initial thoughts were of the landscaping proposed. DR stated that it is probably one of the most difficult things in design terms to design a multi-storey car park and that finding a well-designed scheme is very difficult. DR explained that particularly the effort with the living green walls makes this a very special thing. He stated that it is very good.</p> <p>AS thanked SK once again for an excellent presentation.</p>	
07/21	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p>	
	<p>Becky Chambers raised an issue regarding the disposal of fabric facemasks and litter around the site. SK stated he had not noticed masks being disposed of in areas around the site but did state he had received reports of cigarettes butts on the roads next to the site and to the area on the north-side. SK stated that a wider litter pick will be arranged and an internal message to all staff to be mindful of the disposal of masks and litter will also take place.</p> <p>JL stated that it might be a good idea for an extra bin to be put on the exit on Oak Road. SK stated he is happy to look at adding that.</p>	<p>SK</p> <p>SK</p>

	<p>GW asked about any plans for work at the Bridge Club on Palatine Road. SK stated that there are no plans in place for any building works at the Bridge Club at the present time. He did say that the basement area is used for some storage and the local Fire and Rescue use the basement area for training purposes. It is also being used as a site compound by contractors but they will soon be leaving.</p> <p>GW stated that there used to be an air quality monitoring station on Wilmslow Road and if there are any plans for re-installing one on either Wilmslow or Palatine Road. SK stated he will take this action away and come back with an answer.</p>	<b>SK</b>
	<p><b>Date of next On-Line meeting:</b></p> <p>The date and time of the next meeting will be Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021 at 5.30 p.m. via Zoom.</p>	