

SHAD THAMES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION NETWORK

Core Group meeting at the Anchor Tap – Monday, 12 May 2008

Present: Anna Hollingsworth
Jilly Frisch
Julian Griffiths
Anne Lynn
Nick Napier
Michael Place
Penelope Tay

Apologies: Pat Varney

1. Notes of previous two meetings and Open Meeting

JF apologised for the rather sparse notes of the previous 3 meetings, as she had been delayed in writing up the notes, and then had lost her notebook. If anyone had any additional input she would appreciate receiving it. **Action: Core Group**

2. Conciliation meetings and licensing applications

- The agreement as a result of the conciliation meeting with the Dean Swift would be followed-up with the Licensing Unit as it was felt that the agreement is now being breached; **(MP)**
- In view of the comments made at the Open Meeting about the noise from the Anchor Tap, it was decided to have a first meeting with the landlord before taking any further steps; **(JF and MP)**
- STRA's objection to the application for a variation of licence from Pont had been submitted;
- A review of the points to be made at the hearing of The Don application were reviewed and agreed. **(JF)**

Subsequent information

The Don hearing has been postponed to 14 July at The Don's request, so that they can undertake safety work at the premises. As this new date is in the middle of the holiday season many of the objectors will be unable to attend – MP has already requested this be looked at again.

3. Saturation policy meeting

AH hoped to attend the Saturation policy meeting on Tuesday, 13 May 2008. **Action: AH**

Subsequent information

Eliza Mann has advised that she and Anna had to fight hard at the meeting to have Shad Thames adopted as a Saturation Area. She said that Richard Parkins, Licensing Officer, has offered to attend a STRA meeting to brief us fully on what steps now need to be taken. We will therefore invite him to join our 2 June meeting.

4. 19 Queen Elizabeth Street planning application

The planning application had been rejected as the proposed extension was considered too heavy and overbearing in a residential area; there was no provision for bicycle parking, or loss of existing car parking. The danger now was that the decision would be appealed, and the reasons for rejection would be remedied.

5. St Olav's School

It had reported in the local media that Simon Hughes might be in discussion with an education provider for the School (for which Berkeley Homes had submitted a planning application for a hotel, and most recently for office use for three years). It was hoped that if the building could be for educational use it might foster the idea of some cultural use.

6. The Coach Park site

The possibility of STRA being involved with the BH/Southwark 4 person steering group to appoint a new architect for the site would be followed-up with Nick Stanton; and the possibility of meeting with BH pursued again (the previous two planned meeting had been cancelled by BH at short notice).

Action: JF

It was agreed that STRA would put forward the proposal that C.F. Moller Architects, 36-38 Whitefriars, London EC4Y 8BQ be one of the architects to be asked to make suggestions for the site. They had built the expansion of the Natural History Museum – The Darwin Centre Phase Two. The Head of the London Office is Henriette Helstrup [REDACTED] **Action: JF**

STRA would also write to the newly appointed Mayor, Boris Johnston, asking for his support for a cultural building on the site, as it should be of great interest to him, as the site is next to City Hall, and telling him what it would mean to local residents. **Action: JF**

7. PFPMT

MP would attend the AGM, and the next PFPMT meeting. He would raise the question of the ice cream van polluting the atmosphere by keeping its engine running while selling ice cream, ideally, a source of electricity should be connected to the van, meanwhile, the van should be turned around so that the exhaust pipe was aimed at the river, and not the walkway. Another point which had arisen was on the SE1 website where several postings were complaining about litter in the park, particularly at weekends. Stephen Cornford would be asked to respond, hopefully, by stating that additional park cleaners would be employed at weekends. **Action: MP**

8. Bicycle parking

Local residents without allocated parking bays were having problems finding secure bicycle parking. One suggestion was to approach one of the National Car Parks to see if they could provide wire cages, which could be locked, which might house 6 to 8 bicycles. Another proposal was to give input to Southwark's car parking consultation which was about to start. **Action: NN**

9. Queen Elizabeth Street/Tower Bridge Road

It was decided to revive the proposal to have "No Entry" from TBR into QES, and to widen the pavement in QES between TBR and Horseleydown Lane. This would deal with the rat run that has developed. NN would ask Eliza Mann what steps need to be taken. **Action: NN**

10. Shad Thames Network

JG would draft a notice which the core group could look at, which would eventually be circulated in the area letting local residents know about the benefits of joining the network. **Action: JG**

11. Area covered by STRA

It was agreed that would be the north side of Tooley Street from London Bridge to Mill Street – the Constitution would therefore need to be amended at the next open meeting. **Action: JF**

12. Gross Max Project on TBR between Tooley Street and Fair Street

It was noted that a major steel construction was being built, which it was assumed was implementation of the Gross Max Project, but MP would call at the Fair Community Office to check the status of the project. **Action: MP**

13. Next meeting – Monday 2 June 2008 at 7.15pm at the Anchor Tap