**Minutes of the Loughborough Junction Action Group steering group meeting 3 February 2014, 8pm, Harry Caddick Centre, Lilford Road**

Present: Anthea Masey (co-chair) (AM), Tim Gaymer (co-chair), Amanda Kamin (AK), John Frankland (JF), Saakidhya Manohara (SK), Adriana Quevedo (AK), Walter Reed (WR), Jason Gibilaro (JG), Mandy Mazliah (minutes)

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| **Minutes** |
| 1. Apologies: Cynthia Roomes, Amy Stones , Lois Acton, Karen Hooper, Maude Estwick, Hazel Watson |
| 2. Welcome to new members Saakidhya Manohara (SK) – new director introduced herself and explained her background and legal experience. |
| 3. Minutes of last meeting Agreed |
| 4. Matters arising **Waste bin campaign – TG still needs to follow this up.** Will be done before next meeting. **AM to send MM Lock it and Stop it information for LJAG website. TG to speak to Lois Acton about outstanding matters arising.** AK reported back on the Keep Loughborough Junction clean campaign. She gave out 19 sets of stickers and brooms. Very positive first engagement. She has arranged a business meeting at Blue Turtle Oasis, on 26 February at 7.30pm. **AK to send MM details of 26 Feb event for website/newsletter. AK to write a press release about the broom/sticker delivery.** TG – reported that Sainsbury’s will be opening in June. AM - 200 Coldharbour Lane is going to be a bike shop/café. **AM to send on costings for the video functionality to the London Community Foundation** |
| 5. Financial report Agreed. Review this in detail next month. |
| 6. LJAG memorial for Angela Akinyemi and LJAG fifth birthday Carry forward to next meeting |
| 7. LJAG priorities - discussion 1. Placemaking. WR to start a 7 Bridges sub-committee. Asked AK & JG to be on the committee. First event will be the event to mark the completion of the Cambria Bridge project.  **TG & AM to send comments on WW1 paper to WR.** 2. Continuing to grow the Loughborough Farm An autistic free school may be taking over this space. Because there is a need for school places the KIBA restriction can be lifted. It was noted that an attempt to open a nursery here before had been refused. If this goes ahead the Loughborough Farm will need to find a new base. **JG to pass the message about the Loughborough Farm site/possible free school use back to LETRA and the EMB.** 3. Engagement  LJAG has decided to go down to a committee meeting once every two months and do at least three public meetings a year. Focus more on the “first Tuesday” informal meetings. Will still do monthly reports. 4. Tying up loose ends A female tutor has been found to deliver the cycle training at Evelyn Grace. |
| 8. AGM planning  The trustees decided to invite Tessa Jowell to speak in the AGM late May/early June. Has to be held by the 5 July. |
| 9. Meeting structure See above (7.3) |
| 11. Project reports **MM to send SM last three months project reports, the trustees names, link to LJ plan and details of the different groups within LJAG.** AM – three hedge planting events to take place in Elam Street Open Space, 9 Feb, 23 Feb 11-3pm, 9 March. Steering group members were asked to sign up to help at one of these. 25 people came along to the Friends of Elam Street Open Space first meeting. Set a date for Tuesday 25 Feb for the next meeting. **AM to send AQ the Elam St mailing list. JF to check availability of Harry Caddick Centre for 25 Feb.** |
| 12. First World War project Funding application is finished and has been circulated for feedback. WR gave a summary of the project. |
| 13. Planning and licensing  See separate report. Two of note – planning permission has been granted for building near the junction that used to house Second Step Nursery to extend upwards. Other one is an application for a retail unit and some flats to be built on the Primesite billboard site by the junction. Agreed that LJAG should oppose this. **TG to send a letter in on behalf of LJAG objecting to planning application for Primesite site. Steering group were asked to send in personal letters. MM to put in newsletter.** This will also mean that the mural won’t be able to be put there. WR suggested printing it on a banner so we can use it at events. Could we ask Network Rail to put it up under one of the bridges. **WR to take forwards permission for putting up a mural banner with Network Rail.** The group discussed the redevelopment of Barrington Lodge. |
| 14. AOB AM would like to donate some money to LJAG to commission a guerrilla artist (Moose) who creates patterns by cleaning dirt off the wall to create a piece of artwork on the section of the wall at the bottom of Shakespeare Road by the embankment. Going to use a forest feel stencil. Would like to do it officially so need to get permission from Network Rail and local support. The committee were happy for AM to explore this further. |
| 15. Date of next meeting Monday 31 March **MM to email the steering group about the new meeting date. We will need to find a venue as Harry Caddick is not available.** |