**Public realm steering group**
18 December 2013, 6.30pm, BizSpace (Shakespeare Business Centre)

*Present: Anthea Masey (AM), Tom Greenall (TG), Peter Jacob (PJ), Tim Gaymer (TG), Walter Reed (WR), Hazel Watson (HW), Mandy Mazliah (MM) minutes*

*Apologies: Matt Trevethan, Richard Ambler, Cllr Matt Parr, Andy Lorentson, Danny Friedman, Stuart Gardner, Madga ?, Clare Neeley,*

1. **Welcome to new members**Peter Jacob
2. **Note of the steering group 21 November 2013**The note was agreed
3. Matters arising.
- AM has spoken to Natasha Walker about trying to set up a business forum for LJ, at least for the residents of the Biz Space.
- TG has spoken to Catherine Carpenter, LJAG will have an opportunity to comment on the Local Plan with regards to Wickwood Road being made a KIBA.
- LJAG has still not received the results of the NEP consultation. **TG to email Omar Tingling at Lambeth about this and CC in local councillors.**- Tom Bridgman reported back to AM about going for conservation status in order to be able to apply for Townscape Heritage Initiative funding. Would have to do a conservation survey. Doug Black (Lambeth Head of Conservation) felt it was unlikely to be successful. Despite this AM has put in a project inquiry form. By the January meeting we will know whether this is worth taking forwards.
- Mark Sullivan from Network Rail was approached about having a free arch for Loughborough Farm. He said that there are difficulties with this but will look into it.
4. Consultation on the final draft of the Loughborough Junction Plan
(i) Residents survey has gone out
(ii) Amanda Kamin is taking some of the packs around to the local businesses. WR and TG to help with this distribution. **Action: MM to speak to AK and AM about what has been done and report back.**
5. Report on meeting with Network Rail 10 December
TG – feels that this was a successful meeting. Network Rail appear to be happy to go along with the Loughborough Junction Plan with the caveat that they need to focus on the arches that are being used for anti-social purposes, particularly on Rathgar Road.
TG – felt it was very positive that they said they’d definitely consider opening up arches as through-routes.
WR - Network Rail seemed to be very serious about taking Loughborough Junction seriously.
6. Report on launch of LJ plan to cabinet on 11 December
TG gave a great presentation to the cabinet. Pete Robins, Cabinet Member for Regen, Imogen Walker, local Cllrs. Broadly welcomed the plan. Lots of positive feedback.
7. Cambria Road and bridge improvements
Receiving lots of positive feedback. WR – mural is still being painted. Further ten pieces of artwork will go up in February.WR has met with Lambeth Council to discuss the paving slabs. Concerns about them being slippery. WR gave some background to the Cambria Bridge project for the benefit of PJ. **TG to look into corten steel suppliers and pass details to WR.** Southern Power Networks have a fund. WR asked TG to do an application to this.
8. Lambeth appointment of consultants to review Overground stations
By January 2014 Lambeth will have appointed a consultant to look into linking up with East London line (Loughborough Junction and Brixton). Opportunity for us to put in some key recommendations for transport in the area and Loughborough Junction station.
9. Extension of KIBAs
Covered under matters arising.
10. NEP in Coldharbour
Covered under matters arising.
11. Cycle route plans in Herne Hill and Coldharbour wards and timescale
**TG to ask MT & RA what the timescales are.**
12. Any other business.
AM – Heritage Lottery Fund – WR & AM met with Fred Taggart (used to work at English Heritage). He felt it was a shoe-in for THI scheme. Alternate pot of money is the Heritage Enterprise Fund. Can apply for £100K up to £5m. Opportunity to have a community project cataloguing the railway archive.
* Simon Nash, a local business owner (cycle lubricant) from Biz Space, came into the meeting. He suggested a zebra crossing on Coldharbour Lane near Shakespeare Road, red telephone box outside Biz Space and improvements to the paving.
- TG – concerned that paving slabs outside LJ station are starting to lift again. Are they covered by a guarantee?
- HW – raised a concern with the planters – plants are dying because they are not growing. LJAG are working on engaging with local businesses to help with the watering.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 16 January 2014