**LJAG/Lambeth steering group for the Loughborough Plan and public realm improvements**
Note of meeting of 24 July 2014, 6.30pm, at Woolley House Undercroft

Present:

Anthea Masey (AM) Chair, Walter Reed (WR), Stuart Gardner (SG), David Money (DM), Matthew Lambert (ML), Kristin Bayliss (KB), Tim Gaymer (TGa), Tom Greenall (TGr), Mandy Mazliah (MM) minutes

1. Welcome to new members of the steering group.
None
2. Apologies for absence.
Dirk Bischof, Clare Neely, Cllr Jack Holborn, Matthew Kay, Jessica Courtney Bennet and Jessica Tsang
3. Note of the meeting of Wednesday 18 June 2014.
Agreed
4. Matters arising
**KB still has not heard back from TGa about the rubbish survey.** KB would like to agree the objective of the rubbish survey ie differences between public bins on Coldharbour Lane and household bins. AM suggested a starting point being a small walkabout to find out where street waste bins should be. There is a legal requirement to have bins near bus stops and there are many missing from the area.  **WR and AM to do this, invite Cllrs.
KB & TG still need to meet to do a rubbish survey for the area.
AM has contacted the owner of the Mucky Duck to find out plans for the building. AM to share with the group, and Mark Dodds, the name of the owner and his contact details.**DM made some enquiries about the planning application at the junction. **DM to try to call the case officer to talk about the application. Find out how many objections are needed before it has to go to a planning committee.**
5. Lambeth update on proposed traffic improvements for the junction of Coldharbour Lane and Loughborough Road
No-one from Lambeth was present but this is included in the update below.
6. DSDHA update on design for public realm improvements around junction of Coldharbour Lane and Loughborough Road
ML gave an update on the provisional plans so far. TGa pointed out that Denmark Road is half Lambeth and half Southwark. Should George Wright let them know about plans to close certain roads in case it affects traffic on this road. **ML to speak to GW about this.** Need to work out what impact this will have on the developments on Hero Square. Suggestion to move bus stops to Hero Square to help bring life to the area.
KB raised the point of hospital traffic.
Need to look at buses, emergency services, traffic signals to see what is actually possible.
Connection of signage with an identity for LJ. Idea of cycle items eg Boris Bikes, free cycle pumps. Lambeth have fed back that this could be suitable longer term. To have Boris bikes we’d need to install a minimum of 26 bikes, which isn’t possible on this junction due to lack of space.
Starting to think about building in a rubbish strategy for commercial premises.
SG mentioned that there is a dilapidated telephone box, could this be removed?
Some new, or maybe reinstated, billboards under the bridges. Did they apply for planning permission?
DM – asked whether this is going to make businesses come to the area. AM – Network Rail will be spending some money in the area (see later).
Bins and waste – proposing making a pen of bin storage by Rathgar Road to store waste away from front of properties.
Some discussion about cyclists traveling through Loughborough Road and not mixing well with pedestrians. Can an alternative route be provided as well?
ML showed some photographs of Tabernacle Street, which is an example of how this can work well. ML stressed that this will be a shared space ie for pedestrians and cyclists to both use.

AM presented the Network Rail proposals for branding the area.
Aspiration to improve the railway arches in Brixton and LJ. LJAG is concerned about the existing businesses but at least 30% of arches are vacant. Network Rail has given Meanwhile Space access to some of the arches. ‘Loughborough Junction: Make it your own’ is the main idea behind their branding. Proposed timescale is 15 months for planning and consultation to deliver in 2-3 years time.
**AM to share the Network Rail presentation via DropBox with the group.**TG – importance of rehousing existing viable businesses. Likely that train station will be improved which will be fantastic for the area.
Businesses will be concerned about rent rises. KB – we should start working with the local businesses to make sure that people end up in the best space for them. Needs to take place sooner rather than later.
**TGr to email Tom Bridgman to ask to be invited to the meetings with Network Rail in the future.**
7. Car-free day consultation proposal
Sunday 21 September
**AM to ask Tom Bridgman whether it would be a good idea for Network Rail to attend this to do some consultation on their proposals.**AM has a meeting next week with the Suzy Harrison at Lambeth who is organising this and will report back.
8. Lighting the bridges – Walter Reed to report on progress
WR met with Lambeth Lighting, George Wright and Phillips and PFI contractor to discuss this. Putting a proposal together based on this. Idea is to uplight the mural in red and include some projections.
6 September there will be a launch under the bridge, including launch of WW1 app.
9. Transport for London Future Streets Incubator fund
**AM will talk to Mark Trevethan from Lambeth and then put in a proposal.** Deadline is 15 August. Feedback so far is that we should involve Southwark, and get more partners.
10. The next meetings will be held on Wednesday 20 August, Thursday 18 September and Wednesday 15 October
11. Any other business