

# Decisions of the Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee

18 July 2012

Committee:

- \* Councillor John Hart BA MA (Chairman) (Barnet)
- \* Councillor Alison Hopkins (Vice-Chairman) (Brent)
  
- \* Councillor Julie Johnson (Barnet)
- \* Councillor Hugh Rayner (Barnet)
- Councillor Sury Khatri BSc (Hons), MSc (Barnet)
- Councillor Dhiraj Kataria (Brent)
- Councillor Roxanne Mashari (Brent)
- Councillor Harbhajan Singh (Brent)

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Brent Sports Council	
Canal & River Trust (formerly British Waterways)	
Environment Agency	
Hendon Rifle Club	
Local Agenda 21	* Molly Savage
London Wildlife Trust	* Clive Cohen
Natural England	
Princes Park Youth Football Club	
Training Ship Broadsword	* Robert Timms
Welsh Harp Conservation Group	* Roy Beddard
Welsh Harp Environmental Education Centre	
Welsh Harp Sailing Association	
West Hendon Allotment Society	* Martin Hall
West Hendon Community Forum	* Judy Shepard
West Hendon Residents Association	* Derrick Chung
Woolmead Residents' Association	* Geoffrey Johnson

\*denotes Member present

\$ Denotes Member absent on Council Business

Also in attendance were:

Tracy Sawyer – Barnet Greenspaces Service  
Leslie Williams – Brent Parks Service  
Chidilim Agada – Barnet Governance Service  
Councillor Javaid Ashraf (Brent)

## 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN (Agenda Item 1):

RESOLVED-That Councillor John Hart (Barnet) and Councillor Alison Hopkins (Brent) be appointed Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively for the municipal year 2012/2013.

## 2. MINUTES (Agenda Item 2):

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meeting of the Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee meeting held on 26 March 2012 be approved as a correct record.

**3. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS (Agenda Item 3):**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Sury Khatri and Mr Harry Mackie (Welsh Harp Environmental Education Centre).

**4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (Agenda Item 4):**

No interests were declared.

**5. MATTERS ARISING (IF ANY) (Agenda Item ):**

Barratt Homes

The committee highlighted that at a previous meeting it had been agreed that a representative from Barratt Homes would attend this committee meeting. The committee agreed that Tony Westbrook, Barnet Council's Principal Project Manager Regeneration, be instructed to contact Barratts Home so that a site visit is arranged for the committee to discuss their concerns and raise any relevant issues.

The committee enquired as to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and requested that Thomas Wyld, Barnet Council's Senior Planner be asked to bring a report on the EIA to the next meeting of the committee.

**6. LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT WELSH HARP MANAGEMENT PLAN (Agenda Item 5):**

Leslie Williams, Brent Councils Strategy and Service Development Officer, Sports and Parks Service, presented this report. He informed the committee that the document was shorter than the previous versions. He requested for organisations to provide their website addresses for inclusion in the contacts page in the Management Plan.

The committee considered the report and raised various issues including:

- It is made clearer on the map where the boundary of the Site of Specific Scientific Interest (SSSI) is.
- Review the list of the sailing clubs as some appear to be out of date.
- Make a request to Barnet and Brent Highways Section on the feasibility of a traffic analysis/signage for Wood Lane.
- Welsh Harp Sailing Base – include that plans for the new centre will be subject to a consultation process; this is to ensure that the views of local people are taken into account.
- The London Wildlife Trust would want an in put into the Management Plan and therefore a request that the Plan be sent to them.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the report be noted.
- (2) That the revised Management Plan be recommended subject to the amendments agreed by the committee.

**7. LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET - WELSH HARP MANAGEMENT PLAN (Agenda Item 6):**

Tracy Sawyer, Barnet Council's Parks and Open Spaces Officer introduced the report.

RESOLVED – That the contents of the report be noted.

**8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (Agenda Item 7):**

- Cool Oak Lane Car Park - The committee discussed possible uses for the disused car park and requested that officers looks into options that would not cost much money but will not be disruptive to wild life, for example, a skateboarding park.

**9. ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT (Agenda Item 8):**

There were no such items.

The meeting finished at 9.00 pm