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# Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee

# Thursday 19 November 2015 at 7.00 pm

Boardroom - Brent Civic Centre, Engineers Way, Wembley, HA9 0FJ

# Membership:

Members Councillors:	representing	alternates Councillors:
Farah (Chair) Khatri (Vice-Chair) Hart Kay Langleben Ahmed Crane	LB Brent LB Barnet LB Barnet LB Barnet LB Barnet LB Brent LB Brent	
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# **Organisation**

Brent Sports Council Canal and River Trust Environment Agency Environment Agency Hendon Rifle Club Hendon Rifle Club London Wildlife Trust London Wildlife Trust Local Agenda 21 Phoenix Canoe

Princes Park Youth Football Club

Training Ship Broadsword Training Ship Broadsword

Welsh Harp Conservation Group

Welsh Harp Environmental Education

Centre

Welsh Harp Sailing Association West Hendon Allotment Society West Hendon Community Forum

West Hendon Residents' Association /

Friends of York Park

Woolmead Residents' Association

# **Agenda**

Introductions, if appropriate.

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# 1 Declarations of pecuniary interests

Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.

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Ward Affected: Welsh Harp Contact Officer: Leslie Williams,

**Environmental Policy Officer** 

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- 7 Environment Agency verbal report
- 8 Planning Issues (if any)
- 9 Date of next meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Welsh Harp is on 15 March 2016.

# 10 Any other urgent business

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# Agenda Item 4



# MINUTES OF THE WELSH HARP JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE Wednesday 22 July 2015 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Khatri (LB Barnet) (Vice-Chair, in the Chair), Kay (LB Barnet), Langleben (LB Barnet) and Ahmed (LB Brent) and Sam Thomas (Canal and River Trust), Dale Langdale (Hendon Rifle Club), Clive Cohen (London Wildlife Trust), Dianne Murphy (London Wildlife Trust), Julie Johnson (Local Agenda 21), Phil Atkinson (Phoenix Canoe), Brian Turner (Training Ship Broadsword), Roy Beddard (Welsh Harp Conservation Group), John Shepherd (Welsh Harp Sailing Association), Elizabeth and Martin Hall (West Hendon Allotment Society), Judy Shepherd (West Hendon Community Forum) and Geoffrey Johnson (Woolmead Residents' Association)

Apologies for absence were received from: Councillors Hart (LB Barnet) and Mashari (LB Brent) and from Neale Hider (Environment Agency) and Derrick Chung (West Hendon Residents' Association / Friends of York Park)

# 1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

# RESOLVED:

- (i) That Councillor Farah (LB Brent) be appointed as Chair of the committee for 2015/16:
- (ii) That Councillor Khatri (LB Barnet) be appointed as Vice Chair of the committee for 2015/16.

# 2. Declarations of pecuniary interests

Councillor Langleben advised that he had been appointed as a council nominated representative to the West Hendon Community Trust Fund.

# 3. **Deputations (if any)**

None received.

# 4. Minutes of the previous meeting

**RESOLVED:-**

that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 18 March 2015 be approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

# 5. **Matters arising**

The Chair clarified that if any matters of importance arose in between the meetings of the committee, the Chair and Vice Chair could be notified and that it would be helpful to do so in good time before the next meeting.

Sam Thomas (Canal and River Trust) explained that an update could be provided before the next meeting on rough sleepers in the Welsh Harp Reservoir.

The committee then discussed and noted the following points with regard to the West Hendon Development:

- It was noted that the outcome of the public enquiry regarding the Compulsory Purchase of the West Hendon Estate was due shortly and further information would be circulated to all members with the minutes of the current meeting.
- A short written update was provided by Terry Garner (Principle Planner, LB Barnet) regarding the position of SSSI Warden. It was commented that this information had been shared at the last meeting of the committee. The London Wildlife Trust (LWT) would be hosting the position and the queries regarding whether any charge would be made by Barratt London for the provision of office space remained outstanding. Dianne Murphy (Chair, LWT Barnet) advised that the job description for the position was due to be signed off imminently; the post would be advertised in the coming weeks with interviews being held in September 2015. It was anticipated that the Warden would be in position in time for the next committee meeting in November.
- Concerns were raised regarding the level of noise from the development and the impact on the birdlife of the Welsh Harp. The committee agreed with the view that the planned measures to inhibit noise were ineffective. It was further noted that the contractors were not complying with the restrictions on working hours as stipulated in the conditions of the planning permission. Roy Beddard (Welsh Harp Conservation Group (WHCG)) noted that there had been no discernable impact on bird populations as recorded by the monthly monitoring surveys conducted by the WHCG. It was agreed that the results of these surveys could be circulated to the committee and the Chair agreed to explore this issue and provide an update to the committee prior to the next meeting.
- Clive Cohen (LWT) raised concerns regarding the impact of the development on water quality and suggested that officers explore funding opportunities to enable regular monitoring to be conducted. A member highlighted that the Environment Agency (EA) did undertake monitoring of water quality. The Chair agreed to seek comment on this matter from the relevant officers.
- The committee reviewed the written update from Nathan Smith (Barratt London) regarding the use of prohibited roads by contractors. Members of the committee reported that the issue was ongoing. The Chair encouraged members of the committee to report any incidents. It was noted that it was not always practical to take down the necessary details to enable accurate reports to be made. Possible solutions were discussed by the committee including the installation of cameras by Barratt London and the continued use of banksmen as it was possible that this acted as a deterrent. It was agreed that the continuation of this problem would be raised by the Chair with the planning officers in Barnet and Barratt Homes. Representatives from Barratt Homes would be asked to attend committee meetings in the future.
- Councillor Langleben raised the issue of the impact of the Brent Cross Regeneration works on the Brent River Stream. The Chair undertook to write to Barnet Planning for an update to be provided at the next meeting.

# RESOLVED:

- (i) That Sam Thomas (Canal and River Trust) provide an update before the next meeting of the committee on rough sleepers in the Welsh Harp Reservoir;
- That the Vice Chair pursue further information on the outcome of the public (iii) enquiry regarding the Compulsory Purchase of the West Hendon Estate and circulate this via Brent Democratic Services;
- (iv) That Roy Beddard (Welsh Harp Conservation Group) circulate via Brent Democratic Services the outcome of the monthly monitoring surveys of bird populations;
- That the Vice Chair seek comment from the relevant officers regarding the (v) possibility of pursuing funding opportunities to enable regular water quality monitoring to be conducted;
- (vi) That the Vice Chair write to Barnet Planning Office for an update regarding the impact of the Brent Cross Regeneration works on the Brent River Stream.

#### 6. **Update - removal of swales**

The committee reviewed the update. Dianne Murphy (Chair, LWT Barnet) advised that she had spoken with Emily Dresner (Natural England) with regard to this matter and had been advised that the swales had been removed without appropriate consultation. The swales formed part of the drainage plan for the site but also the environmental protection plan. The alternative suggestion of an underground tank could not address the impact of the loss of environmental protection caused by the removal of the swales. The Chair agreed to speak to the planning officers in Barnet and to seek an explanation of the process undertaken with respect to this decision and why the relevant authorities were not consulted as required.

# RESOLVED:

That the Vice Chair liaise with the planning officers in Barnet to seek an explanation of the process undertaken with respect to the decision to remove the swales and why the relevant authorities were not consulted as required.

#### 7. **Management Plan (Barnet)**

A report was introduced to the committee by Tracy Sawyer (Parks and Opens Space Officer, LB Barnet) detailing the on-going site management issues for the Welsh Harp area. Members were informed of the actions being taken to address illegal encampments in the Welsh Harp which included close working between the green spaces team, the safer neighbourhoods team and the police. Noting that the Canal and River Trust had been conducting similar operations, Tracy Sawyer confirmed that she would liaise with the relevant contacts on this matter. Aine Rvan (Strategy and Service Development Officer, LB Brent) highlighted that similar work was being undertaken by Brent and agreed to provide the contact details for the officer responsible.

Tracy Sawyer drew the committee's attention to the incidences of wildlife crime detailed in the report. Clive Cohen (London Wildlife Trust (LWT)) highlighted that the Signal Crayfish referred to in the report were extremely harmful to native wildlife and action was required to reduce their numbers as recommended by the LWT and the Environment Agency. Following discussion, it was concluded that lobster pots which had been confiscated for evidence in relation to incidents of wildlife crime could not be used for this purpose. Sam Thomas (Canal and River Trust) asserted that this matter would be discussed between the LWT, Natural England and the Canal and River Trust to identify an appropriate way forward.

Tracy Sawyer concluded her presentation by agreeing to amend new signage due to be installed to include notice that fishing was not permitted at the Welsh Harp and to highlight that open water swimming was not permitted and was extremely dangerous due to underwater obstructions / currents.

# RESOLVED:

- (i) That the report be noted.
- (ii) That officers be recommended to amend the proposed new signage at the Welsh Harp to state that fishing was not permitted and that open water swimming was not permitted and was dangerous due to underwater obstructions / currents.

#### 8. Management Plan (Brent)

Aine Ryan (Strategy and Service Development Officer) presented a report updating members on the progress made in relation to the Brent Reservoir / Welsh Harp Management Plan since the last meeting of the committee. She advised that Giant Hogweed had been found in the east of the Welsh Harp Open Space, between the edge of the scrub woodland and mown path. Veolia had been notified and the area fenced off pending removal. Sam Thomas (Canal and River Trust) noted that the Canal and River Trust had also found Giant Hogweed on land for which it was responsible and similar action was underway. Aine Ryan explained that an infestation of the Oak Processionary Moth had also been found at Neasden Recreation Ground and had been treated by the Forestry Commission. It was highlighted that the caterpillar could cause skin irritation and respiratory difficulties for humans. Sam Thomas noted that a catchment area around the infestation would be checked to ensure that the moths had not spread to surrounding trees.

The committee was further informed by Aine Ryan that an Allotments Open Day was scheduled for Saturday 15 August 12pm to 3pm at Birchen Grove Allotment.

In drawing her presentation to a close, Aine Ryan advised the committee that the council had organised a Community Asset Transfer for the letting of the Welsh Harp Education Centre which was currently at the evaluation stage. Further details could be accessed via the council's website. The Committee welcomed this approach.

With reference to the cessation of water sports activities provided by Brent Council, John Sheppard (Welsh Harp Sailing Association) and Phil Atkinson (Phoenix Canoe Club) agreed to explore whether their organisations could address the gap in provision.

**RESOLVED:** 

That the report be noted.

# 9. Environment Agency - Verbal Report (if any)

None

# 10. Planning Issues (if any)

None.

# 11. Date of next meeting

The committee noted that the next meeting was scheduled for 19 November 2015.

# 12. Any other urgent business

In response to concerns expressed by members of the committee, Tracy Sawyer agreed to speak to the team responsible for emptying the bins at the Welsh Harp to ensure that they complied with the current scheduled of three times per week.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Cllr Khatri Chair





# Welsh Harp Joint Consultative Committee 19 November 2015

# Report from the Chief Operating Officer

For Action Wards Affected: ALL

# Welsh Harp Management Plan

# 1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 This report presents progress on the Brent Reservoir / Welsh Harp Management Plan since the last meeting of the Committee and during the 2015/16 year to date. The Management Plan is jointly managed by the three main land-holding organisations: Brent Council, the London Borough of Barnet, and the Canal and River Trust.

# 2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Members are asked to note the Report.

# 3.0 DETAILS

- 3.1 The current version (dated 13 November 2012) of the Welsh Harp / Brent Reservoir Management Plan is available on the Brent Council website at <a href="https://www.brent.gov.uk/media/3207383/Brent-Reservoir-Management-Plan.pdf">https://www.brent.gov.uk/media/3207383/Brent-Reservoir-Management-Plan.pdf</a>
- 3.1.2 The Welsh Harp / Brent Reservoir Management Plan includes an Action Plan for the current year; which for this committee report is updated as Appendix 1. The 'Progress' column summarises current progress.
- 3.2 Welsh Harp Environmental Education Centre: Brent Council's Cabinet on 21 September 2015 approved the proposed Community Asset Transfer of the Welsh Harp Environmental Education Centre. Authority was to be delegated to the Operational Director Property and Projects to finalise and agree the terms of a leasehold and associated licence disposal to the preferred applicant, Thames 21, in consultation with the Chief Operating Officer, the Strategic Director of Children and Young People and the Chief Finance Officer. The

- Cabinet also endorsed efforts to try to get the two bidders to work together to deliver an improved service at the Welsh Harp Environmental Education Centre.
- 3.3 Rough sleepers. The issue of rough sleeping economic migrants living in shelters and encampments at the Welsh Harp (and other parks) remains an ongoing concern. There have been a number of rough sleepers at Neasden Recreation Ground.
- 3.4 Brent Council Culture Service are consulting on the Draft Physical Activity Strategy. The consultation is open for comments until 13 November 2015 (possibly over-lapping with the circulation of this report) and can be viewed for subsequent reference. The draft Strategy includes physical activity and sport; and is relevant to walking, allotments and water sports. Details are available at:

  http://brent-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/ens/sppa/draft\_physical\_activity\_strategy
- 3.4.1 Since 1 April 2015, the new Active Lifestyles Team have had a focus on encouraging physical activity rather than of sports in particular.
- 3.4.2 A walks programme has been weekly at the Welsh Harp for a number of years. Walks generally attract 10-15 people and are led by a walk leader. These take place on Thursdays from 10-11am meeting at Birchen Grove Car Park, Kingsbury NW9. They are free of charge.

# 4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Brent Reservoir / Welsh Harp Management Plan is a long-term document and not all works are feasible in the short-term. Works listed in the management plan include the programmed operational works and longer-term works to maintain, restore and enhance the Welsh Harp area. Works are undertaken only where the budgets or resources are available. Programmed operational works are undertaken only within the existing budgets.
- 4.2 A significant amount of work is undertaken, or in kind, by the voluntary sector, and by the volunteers of the sailing clubs, conservation groups and other community organisations. In addition, the Council and partners, endeavour where feasible, to seek additional funding from grants and other sources.

# 5 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended by the Countryside and Rights of Way (CROW) Act 2000 and the Natural Environment and Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006, land owners or occupiers, and also public bodies, are required to give notice to and consult with Natural England where they wish to carry out, or cause or permit to be carried out any operation in an area of land that is of special interest by reason of any of its flora, fauna, or geological or physiographical features (this requirement applies to operations within a site of special scientific interest ('SSSI'), and to operations outside the SSSI that may affect the features of interest); and Natural England will issue consent, issue consent with conditions or refuse consent. Failing to follow this process is a criminal offence which may result in a fine and a restoration order. CROW (and section 28G of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981) places a duty on all public bodies to take reasonable steps, consistent with the proper exercise of the authority's functions, to further the conservation and enhancement of the site.

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- 5.2 It is good practice for land owners or occupiers to produce Management Plans for the SSSI, which when approved by Natural England, enable the carrying out of the works specified in the Management Plan. This can reduce the administrative work inherent in obtaining consent for individual items of management work.
- 5.3 The Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 requires that all public authorities in England and Wales have a general duty to have regard to the conservation of biodiversity so far as is consistent with the proper exercise of their functions.
- 5.4 The owner of land included in a SSSI has a legal duty to inform Natural England within 28 days of any changes in ownership or occupation of the site, including leases, easements and rights.

# 6 DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

6.0 The proposals in this report have been subject to screening and officers believe that there are no diversity implications.

# 7 STAFFING / ACCOMMODATION IMPLICATIONS (IF APPROPRIATE)

7.0 None specific.

# 8.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 The Welsh Harp Management Plan co-ordinates environmental works in the Reservoir area.

# **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Dated correspondence and other documents referred to in the Report include: Welsh Harp / Brent Reservoir Management Plan (version 13 November 2012).

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# APPENDIX 1. WELSH HARP / BRENT RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT PLAN: ACTION PLAN FOR 2015-2016

The Management Plan outlines the management considered necessary to sustain the Welsh Harp for wildlife, recreation, landscape, flood-control, economic and other benefits of the reservoir. These are achievable over varying time-frames, though many are not affordable in the short term. This Action Plan tracks progress of current year priorities and projects.

Action	Lead	Budget	Approximate timetable	Progress: 2015-16 to 6 November 2015
Dam wall and reservoir: statutory responsibility to maintain dam wall, associated structures and the dam	Canal and River Trust (C&RT)	C&RT	Maintain. On- Going	Dam wall and mechanism maintained as required to operational and statutory standards.
Maintain open water for water sports	Welsh Harp Sailing Association (WHSA)	Undertaken by volunteers of the (WHSA)	On-Going	Monitoring and actions by Welsh Harp Sailing Association.
Sailing and sports development	WHSA: Welsh Harp Sailing Association and constituent clubs.	Undertaken by volunteers of WHSA.	On-Going	In operation: five year, 2013-2018, Water Sports Action Plan (copy available).
Clean up projects: including some control of invasive plants.	Thames 21 Environment Agency	Provided by Thames 21. Work on site by volunteers.	On-going.	Thames 21 clean- up projects on Brent and tributaries: summer 2015.
River trash traps: at inflows of Dollis Brook, and Silk Stream	Environment Agency	Budget provided by the Environment Agency	Maintain, Ongoing.  Rubbish at the trash screen is cleared several times a year.  Material disposed off-site.	Maintenance is ongoing.  Rubbish at the trash screen is cleared several times a year.  Material disposed off-site.
Sailing Infrastructure: club houses, boats, and service areas.	Sailing Clubs	Maintained by the C&RT and by the sailing clubs.	On-going	The Welsh Harp Sailing Association and clubs maintain the water sports infrastructure.

Bird rafts, islands. There are approximately 20 rafts.	Welsh Harp Conservation Group (WHCG)	Volunteer projects are held annually to maintain, repair or renew rafts		WHCG have a programme in 2015-16 for maintenance of bird rafts. Works are outside of the bird breeding season of March to August inclusive.
Bird hides: maintenance of the hides; the surrounding vegetation (sightlines) and habitats.	Welsh Harp Conservation Group / others			The WHCG are expecting to organize up to three projects around the hides during the winter of 2015/16.
Reedbeds: remove young trees	WHCG	Volunteer projects are held annually to maintain the reedbeds.	trees. On-going.	Led by the WHCG. Autumn / winter works.
Reedbeds: increase	All	Natural growth is encouraged, so costs are low, but need to remove young trees.	Periodic reviews as part of Biodiversity Action Plans.	Habitat maintained.
Marshland: maintain	Brent Council, Welsh Harp Sailing Association, Canal and River Trust.	Increase the extent of the marshland around the shores of the Reservoir for nature conservation, landscape, and to increase wind for water sports (where trees are reduced).	reduce young tree growth on shores of Neasden Recreation Ground, Welsh Harp Open Space.	exceeding management work on the shoreline. Works need to be
Marshland	Barnet, Barratt PLC		Plans submitted for restoration of shore by Phase 1 of West Hendon redevelopment.	Refer to Barnet.

Marshland: increase	Partnership	sources of finance for long-term restoration of river catchment; and for flood alleviation.	marshland around the shores of the Reservoir for nature conservation, landscape, and to increase wind for water sports.	Works need to be programmed for outside of the bird breeding season of March to August inclusive.
Marshland: orchids	WHCG, Brent		WHCG to provide information.	Works need to be programmed for outside of the bird breeding season of March to August inclusive.
South-bank boardwalk	C&RT	Canal & Rivers Trust budget: periodic work possibly averages £500 / year.	As required.	Refer to Canal and River Trust.
Japanese Knotweed and Giant Hogweed	C&RT, Barnet Council, Brent Council	of other works; or with grant funding. Barnet have reduced Japanese Knotweed near to	reduced Japanese Knotweed near to Cool Oak Lane bridge. Brent have reduced Japanese	Partnership are investigating how to improve control
Wet woodland	C&RT, Barnet, Brent	Largely self- managing.	, ,	Largely self- managing.
Grasslands, paths cutting	Barnet, Brent	Maintenance: within existing resources. Restoration work is currently unfunded. Current path cutting estimated at £5,000/ year.	Spring to autumn.	Paths maintained.
Woodland	Brent, Barnet, WHCG, C&RT	Largely self- managing. Un- funded: management of woodland to increase diversity, but potential for creative use of material.		Largely self- managing, but control of willow and other scrub required in marshland at edge of Reservoir.

Brent	external funding. Brent Council are	re-use for environmental education: June- July 2015.	Brent Council have agreed the Community Asset Transfer. Detailed discussions in progress.
,		maintained. Biodiversity improvements at Dors Close, 2013.	West Hendon Allotments: self- managed. Brent: Allotments Strategy: Birchen Grove Allotments and Dors Close Biodiversity improvements at Dors Close.
Barnet, Brent	Existing maintenance resources. Barnet; and Brent grounds maintenance budgets.		Maintained; and well-used.  Rough sleepers: see Committee report.
Barnet Highways (leading) in consultation with Brent Highways.		New: 18.07.2012	Barnet are leading.
			Programme of activities led by Welsh Harp Conservation Group for 2015. Included birds (weekly); butterflies (April to September).
Brent / Barnet.			Maintained.
Brent / Barnet			Parks infrastructure is checked at appropriate frequencies.
All; led by Environment Agency / Thames 21.			Action Plan published at: http://www.thames 21.org.uk/wp- content/uploads/20 14/05/brent_river_c orridor_improveme nt_plan_final_2014 .pdf
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