

## **Millfields Users Group meeting 10/11/15**

Present – Gillian Harris, Harry Hewat, Bhavesh Hindocha

Apologies – Cllr Ian Rathbone, Cllr Barry Buitekant, Lisa Murphy, Carrie Rutherford, Helen Morris, Louisa Ziane, Georgie Brown

1. Dangerous junction at Chatsworth / Millfields, Powerscroft roads. Not heard back from Hackney Street Scene. Harry to chase up with Ben Kennedy.
2. The cycle path on South Millfields is proposed to become part of TFL Cycle Quietway routes, which will make it busier. There is already the possibility of accidents with pedestrians, so we thought it would be good to make some efforts to inform cyclists it's a pedestrian priority zone, and slow some of them down. E.g. when Hackney Council are doing some similar information point on the route. Also if we could paint our own signs on the path – 'slow down' and pictures by kids? Shall we ask Parks?
3. The new Plaza space (old paddling pool) is nearly ready or is ready (none of us had seen it recently). We noted the interest from Southwold School who'd been in touch about teaching cycling there. We thought we should celebrate the long term work of MUG in renovating the space by having a launch event in the Spring. Open to ideas about what form this could take, but thinking of hot drinks, live music and ribbon cutting.
4. Re-turfing on the layby from Hillstowe Street should be complete now. We had an idea to plant more trees there, from the Tree Nursery. Decided to see how the space looked and discuss again.
5. Park Lodge – we noted Georgie has said the Council will review the Lodge and feed in our view of trying to make it a community space. We'll keep following this up.
6. Social media. Louisa who's been looking after this will be stepping down from the Committee and moving to Walthamstow shortly. We wish her well and thank her for her contribution. Bhavesh is going to try and take over this role (unless anyone else wants to), getting the details from Louisa. Also Bhavesh and Harry to meet to review the website and update it.
7. Wildflower planting in South Millfields, Saturday 21 November, 1030 at entrance to park opposite Cooper & Wolf. We need volunteers for this effort which really pays off when you see the flowers in Spring and Summer. Led by Gill Harris if you have any questions.

8. Minutes – we clarified what we do with minutes. The first draft is sent to the whole committee as soon as possible after a meeting. When they are agreed at the following committee meeting (or thereafter), we will upload to the Millfields website.
9. Next meeting is Open to the public, on Tuesday 12 Jan at 7pm. Following one scheduled for Tuesday 23 Feb at 7pm. In the portacabins behind the tennis courts, unless they're unavailable. In March there will be an AGM.