

## HACKNEY BRITANNIA RESIDENTS CONSTRUCTION FORUM

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July, 6.30pm – 8.30pm – The Opportunity Hub, Pitfield Street

### Attendees:

#### Hackney Britannia Project Team

Hayley Miller - London Borough of Hackney  
Michael Coleman - London Borough of Hackney  
Lee Askey - Morgan Sindall  
Dalia Islam - Morgan Sindall

Councillor Kam Adams - Chair

#### Resident Representatives

Liz Moxon - Mawson Court

#### Apologies:

## Meeting Minutes

### 1.0 Introductions

Councillor Adams opened the meeting explaining he was chairing it as an independent party and introductions were given by the Hackney Britannia team. The meeting was to focus primarily on the construction works on the 'Hackney Britannia' project.

### 2.0 Agenda & Housekeeping

### 3.0 Morgan Sindall Update

Lee Askey gave a presentation on the Britannia project, focusing on the items that impact on the local community. He covered the following points:

- Terms of reference for the meeting (Copy attached)
- Safe segregation of the construction works from the public
- Working Hours
- Logistics & Deliveries – for both the new Leisure Centre and Academy projects
- Noise & Vibration control measures
- Works carried out to date
- Works for the next 3 months
- Local Community Commitments

### 4.0 Issues and Action Tracker

The questions raised at the meeting by a local resident were as follows:

- It was mentioned that some residents would prefer the forums to be more informal in nature, rather than through a formal presentation – MS explained that this had worked well in the past, particularly as the presentation covered many of the areas which residents wanted to ask questions on. It was felt that the Q&A session was then more productive as it could focus on those questions which residents didn't feel had already been answered. It was agreed that this format would be used for future meetings, with information shared with residents via a variety of electronic/social media channels in between meetings.
- It was noted that a pedestrian ramp had been damaged by a vehicle driving over it. It was requested that this be fixed. MS responded that this had been damaged by a Local Authority refuse vehicle and not the construction vehicles, but it was being addressed. A replacement ramp has now been installed in its place.
- It was raised that some lorries were driving over the pavement in Northport Street when driving into site – MS responded by explaining that they will shortly be suspending parking bays on Northport Street to provide more space for vehicles to turn into the project. The 2 disabled bays will remain open as normal and are not affected by any parking suspensions.
- Concerns were raised regarding the corner of the hoarding on Northport Street and the lack of visibility for pedestrians crossing the road – MS explained that the Council was looking to put in place a temporary zebra crossing at this location once the District Heating works on Hyde Road had been completed.
- It was raised that a School sign on Hyde Road was facing the wrong way within the hoarding of the school project – MS confirmed that they would get this moved around to allow drivers coming westbound along Hyde Road to see the sign (this has now been moved).
- It was suggested that a sign be put in place to alert drivers of the hidden junction on Northport Street, as it was believed that the hoarding had created a blindspot. MS explained that they were looking into this to see if there were any other measures that could be put in place. A sign has now temporarily been installed. Once the groundworks are completed MS will install some large clear windows in the hoarding to aid vision at this junction.

## 5.0

A question was asked about the construction vehicles that are delivering to the sites not following the correct route to and from site – MS explained this was teething problems with establishing the new construction route. There are close to 300 vehicles on site each week. Over the last 15 weeks of construction, this has equated to more than 4,500 vehicle trips which have been made. Of these 4,500 trips, to date, 8 issues have been raised by local residents where vehicles have not been following the correct route. This is less than 1% of all trips made to site. Morgan Sindall apologised for this and have banned any drivers that have not followed the correct Traffic Management Route to site.

## **6.0 AOB**

MS noted that the venue going forward for the forum would be changed. This would most likely be held at the Britannia site offices once these were in place in August – details will be confirmed in due course.

**Date of next meeting – TBC**