

**Millfields Users' Group General Meeting on
Saturday 31 October 2009 at 1.00 pm at All Souls Church
Overbury Street E5
[Clapton Park Estate near junction with Rushmore Rd.]**

AGENDA

1 Membership, Apologies for Absence, and Welcome **1.00**

- 1.1 Membership of the Group continues to grow. More people have signed up at the Masterplan Workshops. Tim Evans will report latest numbers.
- 1.2 Apologies for absence
- 3.3 Welcome to new Members

2 Minutes of General Meeting on 30 July 2009 **1.05**

- 2.1 To agree the Minutes of the General Meeting on 30 July 2009 (**enclosure 2**).
- 2.2 To consider matters arising

3 National Grid - Alternative Access Route to Site **1.15**

This User Group has for some time supported the wish of Hillstowe Street Residents for consideration of alternative access to the National Grid site because hundreds of vehicle movements per week pass through this narrow street and into Millfields.

Ian Rathbone and Brian Weller attended a meeting convened by National Grid on 30 September at which NG's Transport Consultants, Scott Wilson presented a Hackney Substation Access Options Report covering ten alternative routes into the National Grid site, of which three were recommended for further consideration;

- Option 3 via Millfields Road, from Mandeville St. corner through Waste Transfer Station
- Option 4 via Millfields Road, and through EDF site
- Option 8 Access from Chatsworth Rd. across Park next to basketball courts

It is hoped that Minutes of that meeting will be available for discussion on 31 October. If so they will form **enclosure 3 (to follow)**.

Dave Carson and Bilquis Mahmood of National Grid will attend the meeting to inform the User Group of latest developments and answer questions.

There is to be a follow up meeting on Monday 2 November to consider further the alternative Access Route Options.

4 Millfields Master Plan – Progress **1.45**

The Council's User Survey, extended to April, eventually attracted over 300 replies. The full Report of the Consultation can be accessed on the Millfields User Group Yahoo site under 'Files'. It confirms the main findings of our own 2008 membership survey.

Since the last General Meeting there have been two Masterplan Consultation Forums (on 7 October and 22 October) which were open to all User Group members. Notes from the Master Plan Consultants form **enclosure 4 – to follow**.

A second meeting of the Master Plan Steering Group (on which the User Group is represented) was held on 28 October and your representatives [Bob Benge, Tim Evans, Ian Rathbone, and Brian Weller] will report back from that meeting.

5 Lea Bridge Area Issues and Options **2.15**

The General Meeting in July discussed the consultation document from Waltham Forest Borough Council entitled "Northern Olympic Fringe Area Action Plan – Lea Bridge Area Issues and Options Consultation" and appointed a Working Group (Bob Benge, Anna O'Brien, and Brian Weller to draft a Millfields Users' Group response.

The Working Group, after consultation with the Committee, submitted a Millfields Response on 28 August (**enclosure 5A – to follow**). The Group then met with representatives of Hackney Marshes Users Group to plan a more proactive campaign to preserve the Lea Valley from inappropriate development (see Briefing Note at **enclosure 5B**).

6 Pathfinder – New Play Facilities for Older Children **2.45**

A verbal update will be given to the meeting.

7 Committee Report

Minutes of the Committee Meeting on 15 October (**enclosure 7 - to follow**)

8	Secretary's Report	3.00
To receive a report from the Secretary on other matters of concern to the User Group (enclosure 8 - to follow).		
9	Finance Report	3.15
To receive a verbal report from Claire Kelly, Treasurer.		
10	Date of Next General Meeting	3.20
To confirm Thursday 4 February [AGM], venue to be confirmed.		
11	Any Other Business	3.25
To be communicated to Chair or Secretary before the start of the meeting.		

Close of Meeting - 3.30