

## AGENDA

**Meeting Name: Planning Obligations Advisory Group – 2023/24 Q2 Meeting**

**Date: 6 October 2023**

**Time: 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Location: Teams (Remote)**

Attendees	
Emma Williamson (OPDC – Chair)	Ciara Whelehan (LB of Brent)
Claire O'Brien (OPDC)	Martin Holley (LB of Brent)
Tom Cardis (OPDC)	
James Hughes (OPDC)	Isabel Elder (LB of Ealing)
James Stanfield (OPDC)	Nigel McCurdy (LB Ealing)
Eleanor Fawcett (OPDC)	
Marina Milosev (OPDC)	Matt Patterson (LB of Hammersmith and Fulham)
Eleanor Young (OPDC)	
Philippa Illingworth (OPDC)	

Apologies	
	Catherine Howe (LB of Ealing)

ITEM		
Introductions		
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introductions were given.</li> </ul>	
Minutes of previous meeting		
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adoption of POAG minutes 13 October 2022</li> </ul> <p>Minutes were agreed.</p>	
CIL/S106 Q4 Update		
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>S106 Update Oct 2022 to September 2023 (OPDC Officers)</li> </ul> <p>JH provided an update on Section 106 monies secured, collected and spent since October 2022, noting that significant carbon offset monies (~£8M) had been received, pursuant to the First Central and Bashley Road schemes.</p> <p>Thanked LB Ealing for update to spreadsheet and noted that the total funding secured will decrease somewhat due to expired consents.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on previously approved SSP – Middlesex Hospital (SSP 19-03) (OPDC Officers)</li> </ul> <p>JH noted that funding has now been draw down in full (~£1M) for Middlesex Hospital.</p>	
<b>POAG Publication of Historic POAG Minutes</b>		
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion of publication of historic POAG minutes following correspondence from local residents.</li> </ul> <p>EW noted that in the interest of transparency, agendas and minutes from POAG should be made public.</p> <p>JH asked representatives from the boroughs to confirm that they are happy that minutes accurately reflect discussions at POAG</p> <p><b>Action:</b> JH to invite comment on historic POAG minutes circulated with the agenda to POAG members, with a deadline of late October. Publication is targeted for November 2023.</p>	<b>JH</b>
<b>Review of SSPs</b>		
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OPDC SSP for Electrical Connection – (PI, OPDC)</li> </ul> <p>PI introduced the item. Noted that applications for new electrical connections have been submitted to the Distribution Network operator and quotations have been provided. Funding is now sought to take forward these applications. It was noted that these quotations are 'interactive', which is to say that multiple customers are applying for the same power. Therefore, the success of the application is not guaranteed as this is a competitive process.</p> <p>JH noted that if connection applications are unsuccessful, the allocated funds would be rolled into the wider District Heating Network.</p> <p>NM noted that this was a sensible, phased tactical approach.</p> <p>IE noted that carbon offset funds held by LB Ealing on behalf of OPDC would be retained.</p> <p>POAG agreed the allocation of £653,285.82 to the project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LBE SSP North Acton Playing Fields (NAPF) and Acton Cemetery works (Retrospective) – (IE, LBE)</li> </ul> <p>JH/IE noted that this is a retrospective application, seeking to regularise the position for funds already spent on North Acton Playing Fields and Acton Cemetery.</p>	

	<p>POAG agreed the allocation of £44,684.49.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LBE SSP Professional Staffing for Emission Strategy (Retrospective) – IE, LBE)</li> </ul> <p>JH/IE noted that this is a retrospective application, seeking to regularise the position for funds already being on the Low Emission Strategy for Park Royal Opportunity Area.</p> <p>POAG agreed the allocation of £2,972.26.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OPDC SSP Victoria Gardens and Midland Terrance Improvements (EF, OPDC)</li> </ul> <p>EF introduced the item, and presented the open spaces in question, namely three small pocket parks (Cerebos Gardens, Victoria Gardens and Midland Terrace Playground) which are currently in a deficient state of repair. The focus of the application is particularly on the Midland Terrace Playground, which is in most need of upgrading. EF also noted anti-social behaviour issues and rough sleeping at Victoria Gardens.</p> <p>HS2 funding was initially sought, but not secured. However, it is noted that the OPDC has secured £5,000 from its own budget and has secured an in-kind contribution from HS2.</p> <p>It was also noted that the landscaping contribution pursuant to 80 Goodhall Street is available for improvements at Victoria Gardens and Wesley Playing Fields. EF noted that officers are currently working with LB officers to deliver improvements to Wesley Playing Fields; therefore, it seems appropriate to use the full £7,520.37 contribution from 80 Goodhall Street towards Victoria Gardens.</p> <p>CO'B queried whether the funding requested was sufficient, given the existing conditions of the sites.</p> <p>EF noted that more money would be required to deliver improvement in full. However, this funding would facilitate 'quick wins', particularly at the playground. EF also noted that OPDC are in discussion with the Ealing Parks Foundation, who would look to apply for further funding, namely £75,000 from the HS2 Communities Fund. In case of a shortfall, EF/MM would potentially look to return to POAG.</p> <p>CO'B expressed support for the project</p> <p>IE expressed support for the project, welcomed joint working, and flagged that the full funding should be £7,520.37 and £16,969.92 and that these sums should be allocated in full.</p>	
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	POAG agreed the allocation of £24,490.29.	
<b>AOB</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AOB as raised by attendees.</li> </ul> <p>IE noted that LB Ealing will be providing 'live' updates on Section 106 receipts to OPDC.</p> <p>JH/IE will need to agree wording for the Infrastructure Funding Statement, to avoid double counting.</p>	