

BROCKLEY SOCIETY



AGM 10 November 2021 - Planning Group Activity 2020-2021

Another year constrained by Covid-19 'Lockdown' rules with many LBL Planning Officers still on furlough or deployed to other activities and working from home. Council Committee meetings continued to be held virtually via 'Zoom'.

The Planning Group held monthly meetings via e-mail exchanges on 9 occasions with limited 1:1 sessions convened since mid July 2020 for 4 meetings as and when lockdown constraints were gradually lifted. The Group currently has 14 Full Members and 9 Observers.

This still meant that collectively we:

- * reviewed 208 applications (178 in Brockley; 29 in Brookmill St John's; 1 in Somerset Gardens)
- * advised on 3 appeal cases; 5 enforcement cases
- * helped organise another Brockley Historic Mews Walkabout for Open House (4/5 September 2021)
- * created Display Panels on Planning Issues for use at the Midsummer Fayre on 17 July 2021 as well as for Broc Soc Social Events on 28 September at the Talbot and on 25 October 2021 at St Andrew's
- * used the information on these as the basis for a Planning Supplement inserted into the November 2021 Newsletter as circulated on 06 November 2021
- * were pleased to note that the scheme design that we influenced for 10 Tressillian Crescent was featured in the Evening Standard of 03 November 2021 as a shortlisted candidate for the RIBA's national House of the Year
- * held reviews & presentations on significant proposals for:
 - ^ the rear of 99 Manor Avenue
 - ^ the rear of 4 Wickham Road
 - ^ 4A Ashby Mews
 - ^ Martin's Yard, Drakefell Road
 - ^ 65 Harefield Road
 - ^ 58 Wickham Road
 - ^ the rear of 108 Manor Avenue
 - ^ 1-3 Ashby Road
 - ^ the Stables site at the rear of 14-48 Geoffrey Road
 - ^ 138 Lewisham Way (the former Youth & Community Centre)

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* participated in LBL meetings/consultations on:

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| ^ Draft Local Plan | ^ Waste Management Strategy |
| ^ Small Sites SPD | ^ Mais Court Judicial Review Judgment |
| ^ Ward Boundary Review re Deptford Neighbourhood Action changes | ^ Planning Committees A, B & C & Community Forum |
| ^ Low Traffic Neighbourhoods | ^ Brockley Assembly |
| ^ Safer Streets for Schools | |

* continued to support Brookmill Road CA Society and St John's Society and gave assistance to BRCAS's Retrofit Webinar programme

* helped initiate the Forum of Conservation Area Societies on the demise of LBL's Amenity Societies Panel

* gave advice on:

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| ^ MHCLG's changes to the Planning System (via Civic Voice) | ^ rooflights |
| ^ Permitted Development changes | ^ mews ownership & frontage issues |
| ^ solar panels | ^ local history for a book on Green Spaces |
| ^ mansard roofs | ^ garden buildings |
| ^ Airbnb | ^ party fence walls |

* Issues for 2021-2022

- ^ sustaining active membership
- ^ imparting knowledge/commitment - mentoring/outreach
- ^ improving planning material on the website

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