

Minutes: Resident Steering Group Presentation

Date of meeting	Thursday 17 September 2020, 6pm
Topic	Exmouth Estate Resident Steering Group (ERSG) Presentation
Location	Zoom
Present for Members	Present for Project Team
Ann Ahern (AA)	Communities First
Steve Willmott (SW)	Ian Simpson (IS) (Chair)
Mangala Dharmachari (MD)	Swan
Gareth Haddow (GH)	Jeremy Arnold (JA)
India Cummins (IC)	Caroline Richardson (CR)
Chris Kilby (CK)	Mamnuh Rahman (MR)
	Four Communications
	Sam Nolan (SN)
	Levitt Bernstein
	Mark Keagan (MK)
	Padraic Larkin (PL)
	Barton Willmore
	Greg Pitt (GP)

ITEM	DETAIL
1. Welcome	<u>Welcome</u> The Chair welcomed everyone to the session and opened proceedings.
2. Update and discussion	<u>Update</u> MK presented the Story So Far document which had been distributed to ERSG members and all Estate residents. JA outlined the recent consultation activities including the online consultation events, the project website and social media activity. From the feedback received so far residents have highlighted a range of issues including heights,

overshadowing, the impact on the George Tavern, wider improvements to the Estate and greenspace.

Discussion

MD asked whether the video feeds could be switched on for all participants as that would help accessibility of the session. SN noted concerns with the impact on bandwidth and those with older equipment, but would explore a way videos could be switched on in future meetings.

CK asked when members can expect answers to previously raised questions. JA said questions were being answered as and when the information becomes available, and that the Q&A function on the project website will be updated as this happens. A Zoom information session recording would also be published online.

SW said that greenspace was not the main priority amongst residents who are facing a compulsory purchase order and expressed concern Swan were not taking negotiations seriously and were causing unnecessary stress. JA outlined the ongoing process of working with affected residents, stating it was being conducted in an open and transparent way. There was a discussion on a CPO and JA explained this was not in Swan's control as it is a local authority power.

IC said decisions had been made over the design work without members being informed and she would be keen for the process to be more transparent and the plans to now be shared with the group. MK said the design work was still ongoing and would be shared with the group as soon as there was something to show. MK explained that the next ERSG session would be on materials and facades and this would show more tangible building designs.

IC asked which massing option was being pursued. MK said all three options were still being considered and that the numbers were still be worked on with modelling being carried out to ensure the impact is minimised.

IC asked about the timing of the planning process. JA said a further consultation would take place towards the end of the year with a planning application submitted at the end of January 2021 at the earliest.

IC asked whether a decision had been made on the community building next to the George Tavern, describing the proposals as an overdevelopment and that the provision of more greenspace should be considered. JA said the project team were aware of the historic nature of the site and feel it would

	<p>be best kept for non-residential uses. The project team had met with the George Tavern in the past and are planning to do so again.</p> <p>GH raised a concern with the figure used in the Story So Far document which states “77% of residents agreed or strongly agreed that ‘residents will get a meaningful say over the future of the estate’.”, suggesting it was misleading as it only related to those who attended the previous consultation events. JA said it was not the intention to be misleading but future iterations of the document can be updated if it is unclear.</p> <p>GH asked whether the project team were aware of the development proposals along Jamaica Street. JA said the team were aware of the proposals and had previously spoken to Tower Hamlets about the community space provision.</p> <p>SW asked whether the resident charter was still progressing. CR said it was still progressing and members would be contacted in the future to continue the work.</p> <p>CK expressed an interest in joining the members in developing the resident charter.</p>
<p>3. Future presentations</p>	<p><u>Future presentation</u></p> <p>MK noted the next session would cover the emerging proposals on the facades and materials.</p> <p>The next online session will be 30 September 2020 at 6pm.</p>

	Action	Who
1.	Consider ways in which all video functions can be switched on	Four
2.	CK to be included in future resident charter communications	Swan