



Acton Gardens Community Board Minutes
Monday 9th June 2025 (6pm-8.00 pm)

Acton Gardens Community Centre/Microsoft Teams

Attendees:

Present	Apologies
Resident Board Members Untza Sale (US) Matthew Hemes (MH) – Chair Janet Coker (JC) Slobodan Vuckovic (SV) Natalie Russel-Ward (NRW) Daniela Nicola (DN) Angela Ballesteros (AB)	Resident Board Members Nordeen Fahmy (NF) Keith Smith (KS) Daniel Alves (DA) Adham Aloka (AA) – Vice Chair
Non- Board Members Georgia Metzger (GM) – L&Q Molly Purcell (MP) – L&Q Shakira Henry (SH) – L&Q Angela James (AJ) – L&Q Jahshel Douglas (DG) – L&Q Mena Ali (MA) – SocialLife Nicola Bacon (NB) – SocialLife Simon Donovan (SD) – LDT Guy Balmford (GB) – Countryside Nick Clarke Chris McConnachie (CM) – ETC Frank Baker (FB) – L&Q Hamida Begum (HB) – L&Q Amar Sokhi (AS) – LBE Katie Douglas (KD) - LBE Yvonne Johnson (YJ) – LBE Matthew Buckland (MB) – Met Police	Non-Board Members Clement Ojediran (CO)- L&Q

Item	Description	Action
1.	Introductions and apologies (ALL)	
2.	Minutes of previous Meeting. No comments	Attendees to read minutes if haven't already done so.
3.	Social Life Presentation Presentation: Social Life Social Impact Study (4th Iteration) Overview of the study and methodology Key findings and insights MH raised interest in exploring security concerns. Discussion on parcel theft and how it varies by area.	

4.	<p>Anna (CDP) shared her vision for a starting point in shaping community engagement, pending input from the board/LLP.</p> <p>Anna outlined six key themes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lighting & Makespace for Girls 2. Moveable Gardens 3. Financial, Employment & Food Support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Financial advice, “Clean Start” initiative, food support - Winter event, donations, and funding for healthy living - “Library of Things” – equipment funded via CC 4. Community Centre (CC) Commitment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Refreshing CC with new activities and diverse events - Resident survey to understand needs - Increase awareness and build long-term partnerships 5. Safe Spaces & Co-Design <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Creating spaces where people feel safe - Engaging residents in co-design processes 6. Support for Regeneration Masterplan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acton evolving into a living/working community - Website to be revised with useful, accessible information 	Takeaway: Encourage residents to refresh and share ideas.
5.	BREAK	
6.	<p>Regeneration Update</p> <p>London Borough of Ealing (AS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property Guides & Housing Needs: In progress • VP Progressing • Event on 3rd July: Residents invited to CC for Q&A • 60% of residents confirmed next moves (L&Q or other) • MH Block Decanting: Maintenance issues noted <p>Countryside/Vistry (GB)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-356 Build: Progressing • First Handovers: Expected Jan 2026 • Spring/Summer: Other phases • Enfield Road Houses: Built by Oct, marketing starts in summer • Carisbrook Demolition: Lessons learned re: noise • Ludlow C: One tenant remains; demolition to follow • Regen Guides: To be issued with updated building dates and relocation info <p>Housing Management (SH)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Productive pre-meeting with subgroup • Reviewed NHL priorities: repairs, feedback, and communication • Arson Incidents: 3.1 and mural damage. Working with artist to restore mural 	
7.	<p>Police Update – (MB)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MB confirmed new role as acting Inspector. 	MB to confirm link for Engaging, replacing Nextdoor.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Acton now has a team of 4 officers, working with L&Q on crime/safety issues, but demand on limited resources high. • Encouraged reporting of all crimes (online or by phone) • OWL: Survey to be completed • Ward Panel: Community Board representative needed. • Priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Red bricks: reduce violence - Open spaces: youth and builder activity - High Street: talking drug use • Nextdoor (online neighbourhood community) replaced with Engage (link to be confirmed by MB) • Arson: 6 incidents in South Acton so far this year • People's Throne/Public Art arson attack: No usable footage from recent incidents. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - • Drug Use: Redbrick area monitored; support offered to rough sleepers 	MB to follow up on CCTV request from Housing Management Team as requested by SH.
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[End of meeting 20.30 pm – Duration 2. 30Hours]

1. Welcome and Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair's opening remarks (MH) • Brief round of introductions (ALL)
2. Presentation: Social Life Social Impact Study (4th Iteration) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of the study and methodology • Key findings and insights • Q&A with the Social Life team
3. Community Development Plan Overview (AF) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of the new Community Development Plan • How the plan responds to the study's recommendations • Highlight of key actions and priorities
4. Project Involvement and Agenda Ideas (ALL) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestions for involving local projects and initiatives
Break
5. Regeneration Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • London Borough of Ealing (AS) • Countryside/Vistry (GB)

- Housing Management (SH)

6. Safer Neighbourhood Team Update: (MB)

7. Youth Centre update (CB)

8. Community Centre Update (SD)