

## Northern line extension

### Kennington Green Community Liaison Group

17 March 2016  
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#### Attendees:

| Name                                 | Organisation                   |
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| Cllr Jane Edbrooke (Cllr JE) - chair | LB Lambeth                     |
| Tom Bartlett (TB)                    | Resident                       |
| Priscilla Baines (PB)                | Resident                       |
| Tristan Standish (TS)                | Residents                      |
| Peter Camp (PC)                      | Resident                       |
| Neil Collingridge (NC)               | Resident                       |
| Judith Lyons (JL)                    | Resident                       |
| Jon Kirkup (JK)                      | Transport for London           |
| Katie-Jane Kyte (KK)                 | Transport for London           |
| Michael Tarrega (MT)                 | Transport for London           |
| Jonathan Cooper (JC)                 | Transport for London           |
| Mabel Garcia Aranda (MGA)            | Ferrovial Laing-O'Rourke (Flo) |
| Ignacio Pacheco (IP)                 | Ferrovial Laing-O'Rourke (Flo) |
| Rob McCarthy (RMc)                   | Ferrovial Laing-O'Rourke (Flo) |

Apologies: Iago Griffiths, Sandra Roebuck, Marcus Lyon, Marilyn Evers, Jez Porter

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| <b>1.0</b> | <b>Introductions and apologies</b>  |        |
| 1.1        | Cllr JE welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. KK advised that the meeting would be recorded and all agreed. |        |

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| <b>2.0</b> | <b>Minutes of the previous meeting held 13.01.2016</b>   |            |
| 2.1        | All agreed minutes were accurate.  |            |
| 2.2        | Point 3.9 – noise data is available on the website.  |            |
| 2.3        | Point 3.7 – the project has advised TB that this was a mistake on the drawing.   |            |
| 2.4        | Point 3.18 – the temporary pear trees are in place to improve the amenity value for the residents around the Green and following the removal of T4, at the request of residents. JE referred to her letter to TfL tabled at the last meeting regarding her disappointment about the removal of trees which were protected.   |            |
| 2.5        | Point 3.15 – NC asked for confirmation of the date when TfL and/or FLO knew they would need an acoustic enclosure on the Green. RMc advised that it was proposed in the Code of Construction Practice Part B documents which were presented and consulted on in December 2014.   |            |
| 2.6        | Point 4.2 – There was a discussion about signage and KK advised that this signage is being reviewed as residents feel there is not enough/signs are too small.   | <b>FLO</b> |
| 2.7        | Point 4.4 – MGA advised that the project visited Kennington Park Academy and a follow up visit it planned and this will include road safety. LB Lambeth to look at speed cameras on Kennington Road.   | <b>LBL</b> |
| 2.8        | Point 4.5 – There was a discussed about light pollution and the project will look at bevelling the red lights on the hoardings.  | <b>FLO</b> |
| 2.9        | Cllr JE advised that she received a response to her letter and had a meeting with TfL. NC raised issues with the acoustic enclosure and the augur cleaning. TS stated that an LB Lambeth Environmental Health Officer does not attend meetings with the residents or respond to emails and Cllr JE will raise this with LB Lambeth. NC acknowledged that the NLE team do their best at dealing with residents however asked why there is not more senior management at the meeting, adding that he believes he has been lied to. JK stated that he has not been lied to and TfL have been open and honest in all communications with residents. NC stated that at the Public Inquiry the need for an acoustic enclosure was specified at 373 Kennington Road. These points will be reviewed in the presentation. | <b>LBL</b> |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b>Northern line extension progress report and presentation</b>  |            |
| 3.1        | JC gave a progress update including:   |            |

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|     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Three month lookback and three month lookahead</li> <li>• Temporary noise enclosure</li> <li>• Feedback</li> <li>• Changes from the Public Inquiry</li> <li>• Engagement opportunities</li> </ul> <p>JC advised that over 200 piles have been constructed and piling would be completed in the next three months. The capping beam construction has started to allow construction of the acoustic enclosure and the pile line has been redesigned around the existing piles in the Chivas head house area due to the level of disturbance removing these existing piles will cause to residents at this time.</p> <p>JC advised that construction of the acoustic enclosure will take approximately seven to eight weeks.</p> <p>JC advised that residents who live above the tunnel alignment will receive General Vesting Declaration letters, advising them that TfL are acquiring the subsoil under their property to build the tunnels. There is £50 compensation plus £250 for legal costs.</p> <p>NC asked for the vibration monitoring data for his property, stating he has been asking for this for two weeks without response. JC apologised for the delay and RMc advised that a response will be provided.</p> <p>Cllr JE asked that the list of official complaints is included in the CLG pack and this should include complaints regarding a lack of response.</p> <p>PC questioned how much muck comes out of the shaft excavation e.g. how much truck-loads. IP advised it is 150m<sup>3</sup> which is approximately 15 trucks per day, with 30 trucks as a worst case scenario.</p> <p><i>Acoustic enclosure</i></p> |        |
| 3.2 | <p>JC advised that at the Inquiry TfL committed to using 'Best Practicable Means' (BPM) to mitigate disturbance and since Crossrail the acoustic enclosure is now BPM. JC advised that inside the shed will be a gantry crane and silos containing dry concrete which will be mixed on site so the project no longer has to rely on outside deliveries for concrete. There will also be a 'muck bin' inside the enclosure.</p>  | FLO    |
| 3.3 | <p>JC reported that there has been modelling done showing the reduction in noise level with an acoustic enclosure and advised that RMc has a noise model available for residents to listen to after the meeting. These models were carried out post-Public Inquiry by the Contractor, who decides the methodology to construct the shafts. There is an enclosure at Bond Street Crossrail station. NC stated that the NLE would breach noise levels without an acoustic enclosure and TfL had a responsibility at the Inquiry to stay below a breach, therefore it is clear that the work</p>   | FLO    |

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|     | <p>was not done to see whether an enclosure would be a possibility at the Green. JK stated that the design taken to the Inquiry was early stage and there was not a Contractor on board and although the works could be done without an acoustic enclosure there would be higher noise levels and disturbance. JK stated that at the time TfL did not believe an acoustic enclosure would be required.</p>  |                             |
| 3.4 | <p>Cllr JE acknowledged that the residents are very frustrated and asked the residents to say now if they do not want an enclosure. TS acknowledged that the enclosure will mitigate the noise but questioned the affect on dust. There was a discussion about budget and Cllr JE advised that questions about finance can be escalated to the overall project (Core) CLG where more strategic issues are discussed.</p>  |                             |
| 3.5 | <p>Cllr JE asked for a briefing note to be circulated to this CLG and the Core CLG detailing the assumptions made at the Public Inquiry, what has changed, the impact of the enclosure (both positive and negative) and how much it is costing.</p>   | <p><b>TfL /<br/>FLO</b></p> |
| 3.6 | <p>TS questioned why the NLE has refused to put sound monitoring on his property and he has had to pay for his own monitor. Cllr JE asked for the group to come back to this following the presentation.</p> <p><i>Noise and dust monitoring</i></p>  | <p><b>TfL /<br/>FLO</b></p> |
| 3.7 | <p>There are both unattended and attended noise monitors around the site as well as dust slides on window sills and a dust monitor on the hoardings. TS questioned the dust already in the air and RMc advised that he has spoken to the air quality specialists and due to the monitoring at the hoarding we have a good indication of how much dust is leaving the site and where it settles. TS stated that the back of his house is covered in dust and stated that water suppression was only used after requests from residents and requested that the back of his house is washed. Cllr JE asked that JK discuss this separately with TS. JK, MT, RMc and TS left the meeting to discuss this further.</p> |                             |
| 3.8 | <p>JC acknowledged that there have been noisy works, including exceedances at noise peaks at times. Cllr JE asked that these slides reflect what the residents are experiencing now and do not express a 'good news story' that levels have not been breached.</p>  | <p><b>FLO</b></p>           |
| 3.9 | <p>NC stated that there is a view from residents that works are being deliberately stopped in order to keep noise levels below the average limit. JC stated that this is categorically untrue and to measure averages is the agreed way to monitor noise across London and all construction projects. NC stated that during the Inquiry there was an undertaking to keep within the averages and also use BPM to minimise noise. JC stated that BPM is being used at all times, including with the use of an</p>  |                             |

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|            | acoustic enclosure.   |                  |
| 3.10       | PC asked if there is any budget for residents e.g. for secondary glazing. JC advised that there is a Construction Noise and Vibration Mitigation Scheme in place which sets out the policy, agreed at the Public Inquiry. Cllr JE asked for TfL/FLO to come back on whether there is a budget for residents with regards to issues like secondary glazing. JC stated that there are residents around the Green who have already had glazing installed where they are eligible and there has been a case made for it, as set out in the Construction Noise and Vibration Mitigation Scheme. JK advised that the policy will be distributed with the minutes.   | <b>TfL / FLO</b> |
|            | <i>Changes from the Public Inquiry</i>  | <b>TfL</b>       |
| 3.11       | NC asked what TfL will do differently at an Inquiry for the next big infrastructure project. JC advised that one option would be to appoint a Main Contractor prior to the Public Inquiry. Cllr JE advised she would share the slide with Val Shawcross AM.   |                  |
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| <b>4.0</b> | <b>Kennington station re-zoning</b>   |                  |
| 4.1        | MT advised that there is the intention to make Kennington station a zone 1 / 2 station however this will not be determined yet. MT advised that this can be a standing item on the agenda but there may not be any updates for some time.   |                  |
| 4.2        | PB stated that many residents feel strongly about this as this is one benefit of the NLE that residents could have and hopes that this point is recognised within TfL. MT assured that it is but reiterated that it may take some time to be confirmed and there are fare implications for stations such as Vauxhall.   |                  |
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| <b>5.0</b> | <b>Re-landscaping of Kennington Green – an update</b>   |                  |
| 5.1        | JC advised that between now and the next CLG there will be a presentation to residents of the final landscaping scheme, including high quality CGI images to highlight the improvements made in the area. Cllr JE asked to see this before it is presented and JC advised that this will happen. TS stated that those residents living directly on the Green should have direct input into the final landscaping scheme as these are the residents who have suffered the most. Cllr JE acknowledged this, stating there is the time to do it properly and there must be a high quality plan. JC advised that there has been one engagement session already which produced a lot of feedback, some of it conflicting and some of it impractical; however the project are working on how to incorporate elements of the feedback. |                  |

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| 5.2        | Cllr JE advised that the Green is a LB Lambeth Green Space and therefore whatever is handed back at the end must be maintainable and LB Lambeth have the ultimate sign off of the design. TS suggested that TfL should pay towards the maintenance of the Green. Cllr JE advised that there is no ongoing financial benefit from TfL but in Kennington Park there is a capital receipt from the Lodge which will be kept to support the Park. There is a Community Infrastructure Levy which will be introduced with all the infrastructure works happening in the area e.g. the Gas Holder works.  |                  |
| 5.3        | PC queried the budget for reinstating the Green. JK stated that this cannot be disclosed as it is commercially sensitive. Cllr JE advised that there is already a plan in place which was agreed and JK advised that the budget is based on the plan in the TWAO. TS noted that so much has been lost in LB Lambeth and residents are suffering but still have to pay the same rate of council tax. Cllr JE stated that there is already a base plan in place which can be improved on and given the deviations from the TWAO and the suffering of the residents, a better quality plan must be produced. Cllr JE noted that TfL have been very open to this suggestion and understand the residents concerns and the opportunity to provide something high quality. Cllr JE stated that budget will only be discussed if/when it is appropriate. |                  |
| <b>6.0</b> | <b>Review of the operation of the CLG</b>   |                  |
| 6.1        | All agreed that the next CLG will run from 18:30-20:00. KK to ensure JL receives the invitation. All agreed that it is not appropriate to combine the two Kennington CLGs into one meeting.   | <b>TfL</b>       |
| <b>7.0</b> | <b>Future agenda items</b>  |                  |
| 7.1        | Cllr JE asked the group about inviting Val Shawcross to the next meeting. NC questioned whether the local MP should also be invited as people should understand the residents' anger at the lies happening now and the lies during the Public Inquiry. JK stated that no one had been lied to and Cllr JE acknowledged that she does not believe TfL have lied. Cllr JE advised that she would invite the local Assembly Member and MP to the next meeting.   | <b>LBL</b>       |
| 7.2        | PC asked again about the budget for residents and KK reiterated that this is already in the minutes to come back to at the next meeting.  | <b>TfL / FLO</b> |
| 7.3        | PB advised that residents are concerned about the current noise from trains as well as the potential for noise on the stretch of line between the Loop and the Step Plate Junction. Cllr JE asked for the Kennington Park Step Plate Junction presentation to be circulated after the next meeting so the Green group have a copy.  | <b>TfL</b>       |

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| 7.4        | Cllr JE asked for the complaints log to form part of the CLG pack. MT asked that residents use the 24/7 helpline to make complaints so that the log is accurate and it can be easily identified if service level agreements regarding response times are not being met. TS asked who the new noise officer at LB Lambeth is and Cllr JE advised that the team is being down-scaled but there will be an action for LB Lambeth to confirm a contact.  | <b>LBL</b>    |
| <b>8.0</b> | <b>Date of future meetings</b>   |               |
| 8.1        | <i>Post meeting note: KK to send out date – will be late June/early July.</i>  | <b>TfL</b>    |
| <b>9.0</b> | <b>AOB</b>   |               |
| 9.1        | JL asked for her first floor windows to be cleaned. TS reiterated that the back of his house should be cleaned. Cllr JE asked for a briefing to go to residents clarifying these points e.g. window cleaning and double glazing.   | <b>FLO</b>    |
| 9.2        | JL asked that the pear trees are properly looked after and that tools are not put on top of the planters and that the T4 stump is removed. JC advised that this will be removed when there is sufficient space on site.  | <b>FLO</b>    |
| 9.4        | JL protested at the construction of the acoustic enclosure due to the negative impact on right to light and the visual impact.   |               |
| 9.5        | Cllr JE asked for any residents who feel they are eligible for secondary glazing to apply directly to TfL via the approved process.  |               |
| 9.6        | JL asked if Saturday working is taken into account when working out the noise averages. RMc advised that it is averaged over the Saturday working day. There will be no work above ground on a Sunday. JL asked if Sunday working below ground will be taken into account when calculating the averages. JC advised that the noise averages are not worked out over days but over a 10 hour period and therefore not over a week. This is a moving 10 hours which is selected by the noise consultants not the project team and JC advised it is usually the 'worst' 10 hours that will be chosen. |               |
| 9.7        | Cllr JE thanked everyone for coming and acknowledged the frustration felt from the residents however reiterated that there must also be positive discussions regarding re-landscaping and the way forward.   |               |
| 9.8        | Cllr JE asked when the acoustic enclosure will be going up, JC advised it will be at the end of April and advised that any complaints should come through the NLE helpdesk.  |               |
| 9.9        | PC and MT to discuss secondary glazing at the end of the meeting.  |               |

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| 9.10 | Cllr JE asked what the outside of the acoustic enclosure will look like. JC advised it would be clad in midnight green the same colour of the hoardings but the project would look at how to make it more attractive, if possible. Cllr JE asked for more visuals of the acoustic enclosure and notices up around the site advising all residents that it is coming. | <b>FLO</b>    |

Meeting started 7.00 and closed at 8:30.  
Minutes drafted by KK