

Minutes – Inaugural Meeting of ACR & Tunstall Residents Association
Wednesday 21st September 2016 - Start 7pm (Finish 9pm)
Venue: Tunstall Road Nursery

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1) Welcome, Introductions, Apologies

Jason Hinton opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Apologies from Mr Niklaus, Mrs Hinton, Mr & Mrs McNulty, Mr & Mrs Ackerley, Mr & Mrs Hunter. Jason Hinton thanked the volunteers who helped set up the meeting, and Canning & Clyde Residents Association for attending.

2) Guest Speaker (Canning & Clyde)

Gordon Thompson addressed the meeting, sharing advice from the experience of Canning & Clyde.

3) Decide upon a name for the association (first suggestion: TACRA)

Attendees agreed that the proposed name was suitable and voted to confirm the name.

4) Adoption of proposed constitution

Due to the printing as well as its size, the constitution was not available. It will be sent around once edited and if no objections are raised it will be deemed to be acceptable by all.

5) Nominations for and Election of Committee

The roles of Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary were explained to the group, and each was offered to those present to see who was interested in taking a role.

For the role of Chair, Sandra Dodgson was nominated by Jason Hinton and was voted in unanimously by the group.

For the role of Treasurer, Jason Hinton put forward his name, and while there was another person interested they deferred to Jason, and he was voted in unanimously by the group.

For the role of Secretary, Neil Englefield was nominated by Jason Hinton and was voted in unanimously by the group.

Jacqui Soale, Marie-Louise Rabe, Sally Cook and Farhan Qureshi volunteered and were unanimously elected as committee members.

6) Traffic Action Plan

An update was provided on actions to address the impact of Lebanon Road being made one way, since the meeting in July 2016. This was shared in two strands:

- a) Update on actions by the Council and Councillors
- b) Actions to keep the pressure on for action

6a) Update on Council/Councillor Actions:

Meeting on 21st July with residents chaired by Stuart King (chair Traffic Management Committee) at which resident that attended agreed their understanding of the outputs, the need for:

- short term action to mitigate the impact of the displacement of traffic to ACR
- a medium term strategy to address the impact of developments in central Croydon, to be resident led.

This was later clarified with Councillors to be:

- **Immediate** actions to reduce risks (eg signage) - ASAP
- **Short term** to mitigate impact on ACR –action in 2017-18 budget year. Residents highlighted this needed to be identified by November 2016 for inclusion in budget plans for 2017/18
- **Medium – Longer term** timeline to be identified by residents working in partnership with Council and councillors

Underlying principle – for any changes proposed residents to be FULLY CONSULTED.

Area walkabout on Monday 19th September at 5-6.30pm with ward councillors, Mike Barton (Croydon Council) and residents. This was a very short notice invite to residents with a focus on **immediate** actions, which identified the need for a second visit during the morning rush hour. Traffic flows were also discussed and the assumption that most cars come via Park Hill Road led to agreement on the need to better understand traffic flows as had been identified by residents at the July meeting in Tunstall Road Nursery School.

This walkabout identified a number of possible improvements to signage (none of which preclude continued pressure and action to reduce traffic flows in ACR and Canning).

Sean Fitzsimons circulated a rough draft of his list after the residents meeting, which he will write up as an action plan and recirculate. The additional ideas and views of residents at the meeting will be sent to him. The list of actions that residents at the walkabout had noted were shared, discussed and captured on flip chart, a summary is shown in the table below.

Summary of actions noted during walkabout and additions discussed at the meeting

Location	Observations/ proposed Actions during walkabout on 19th September	Residents views and additional areas for improvement
Top of Addiscombe Court Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Absence of 7.5T weight restriction (also for other roads between ACR and East Croydon – Mike Barton to check if already covered by an existing traffic order. ● Council to contact managing agent of Rowland Court re: overgrown trees and bushes ● More detailed understanding of the risks for residents emerging from the parking area of Rowland Court (difficult to see cars when exiting) ● Possible speed table at the top of ACR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Slowing traffic along Addiscombe Road ● Foliage at the white house also restrict visibility ● Speed table also needed at top of Lebanon Road
Junction of Tunstall and Addiscombe Court (adjacent to post box)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The problems of head on clashes and damage to residents cars were recognized and better understood but further thought needed re: possible solutions ● Review signage at junction 	
Junction of Heron Road with Tunstall and Addiscombe Court	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Right turn only markings at both ends of Heron Road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No entry signs on ACR and Tunstall ● No left turn signs as approach either end of Heron Road
Addiscombe Court, Tunstall, Leslie Park connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Addition of missing ACR sign at junction with Leslie Park Road ● Relocate ACR at bottom corner to more useful location 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To ACR signs at first corner on Tunstall, at Heron Road and at the top of Tunstall
Addiscombe Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● From Sean's subsequent notes: ● Clear evidence of dangerous overtaking of trams and buses on Addiscombe Road ● Explore whether CCTV can be installed on Addiscombe Road ● Contact TfL about improved signage on Addiscombe Road re dangers of overtaking and trams having no overtaking signs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No overtaking signs on trams ● Road signs re: no overtaking of trams ● Trams to have 'Out of Service' signage to keep drivers and pedestrians informed

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Additional areas from residents		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Speed bumps were higher when first installed and lowered at the request of the car dealerships that used to be at either end of the road. Need to check if they are at the maximum level possible ● The distance of the last speed bump at the top of Tunstall from the corner result in drivers accelerating away from it and taking the corner at dangerous speeds (adjacent to area where children play)
Additional areas from Sean Fitzsimons notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enforcement – contact Croydon Police on enforcement actions for Addiscombe Road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To include ACR and Canning entries from Addiscombe Road

Initial ideas for short term actions for inclusion in 2017/18 budget were also discussed.

In addition to monitoring traffic flows residents also requested that **pollution readings** be measured. Neither of these to delay actions to mitigate the levels of traffic and associated risks to residents and the general public.

By the end November 2016, to identify proposals for experimental road changes and residents who attended asked for diagrams with pros and cons to be circulated to aid providing fuller feedback on options. All residents to be engaged in consultation on proposed ideas (Council to go beyond their legal minimum)

Three possible options were identified at the meeting, to be explored further with neighbours in ACR and Tunstall as part of an informal consultation:

- Both Addiscombe Court and Canning to be exit only at the top (junction with Addiscombe Road)
- Fire service gates at the very bottom of Addiscombe Court (junction with Leslie Park)
- Fire service gates at junction of Leslie Park and and Lower Addiscombe Roads

6b) Keeping the pressure on

Formal complaints to Council - 1st stage, 2nd stage, ombudsman

Issues to highlight: The traffic management committee were not in possession of correct information to make a decision (ACR was labelled as one way throughout the full length of the road); previous committee minutes indicated there would be no effect on ACR; quality of consultation process – those affected not included even though the Council were formally asked to do so); the decision has resulted in a greater risk for more people (residents and the general public, primarily at tram stop); and

Template to be developed, circulated to residents attending inaugural meeting and to be put on TACRA website for residents to access

Petition – all attending signed petition

Record of incident/ residents experiences – email experiences to addiscombecourt@aol.co.uk and we can collect a body of evidence of impact

Councillors surgeries – residents to attend in small groups at each of next surgeries to keep the issue on the agenda.

Councillors surgeries are held on the second Saturday of every month 10.30am to 12 noon, at the Sir Philip Game Centre (38 Morland Avenue, Croydon, CR0 6EA).

Traffic Management Committee – questions can be tabled at next meeting which is to be held on Wednesday 5th October, or Monday 19th December 2016 (6.30pm).

7) Anti-social behaviour (including litter and rubbish)

Following a discussion of other areas of concern for residents information/links to the following would be useful to have on the web site:

- Landlord License Scheme – houses of multiple occupancy
- Fire Brigade – safety inspections where homes have multiple occupants
- Fly tipping

8) Any Other Business

No other business was raised