Peckham Rye Station Enhancement

Focus Group Meeting 5

Time 18:00 – 20:00 Date 8 September 2021

Location By Zoom Video Conference

Attendees

Andrew Wood – Network Rail (AW)

Phil Johnson – INVVU (PJ) Shane Hatton – INVVU (SH)

Adam Brown – Landolt & Brown (AB)

Benny O'Looney - Architect (BO)

Paul Best – Govia Thameslink Railway (PB)

Stephen Norris - Govia Thameslink Railway (SN)

Nathaniel Owen - Govia Thameslink Railway (NO)

Neil Kirby – London Borough of Southwark (NK)

David Hibbs - Sustrans (DH)

Tim Devine (TD)

Charlotte Grinling (CG)

Mickey Smith (MS)

Simon Moss (SMo)

Clyde Watson – Peckham Vision (CW)

Eileen Conn – Peckham Vision (EC)

Tony Waters (TW)

Apologies

Richard Nutkins – Network Rail Property (RN)

Alan Sendorek – The Arch Company (AS)

John Moss – Network Rail (JM)

Steve Moss (StMo)

Leanne Todd – London Borough of Southwark (LT)

ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS (Closed Actions, Decisions and Notes will be removed on future minutes)

No.	ITEM DETAIL	Who by When	Response
1	Diversity Impact Assessment - EC suggested that the	AW by 11/09/20	Closed. Added to
	project should contact the Forum for Equalities & Human		register 14/09/20
	Rights, to seek their views.		
	ACTION: Add organisation to Diversity Impact		
	Assessment register. The next quarterly meeting is on		
	Tuesday 15 th September		
	ACTION: Provide a few paragraphs to EC to request views	AW by 11/09/20	Closed. Provided
			11/09/20. AW had
			conversation with
			David Stock on
			14/09/20 pm.

2	Forecourt - The group indicated the station forecourt gathers a lot of rubbish. ACTION: Aside from GTR jet clean every 4 weeks, GTR to ask station team to sweep station forecourt every day as part of station clean	PB by 18/09/20	Closed. GTR have confirmed the station team will clean on a daily basis outside the station in the forecourt area.
3	Engagement - The project is likely to affect some neighbouring businesses operating on Arch Company leases. ACTION: Request that The Arch Company provide a representative to attend Focus Groups and Workshops going forward	RN by 18/09/20	Closed. AW met Arch Co on 04/12/20, who have now committed to attend Focus Groups going forward
4	Old Waiting Room – the group discussed whether this could form part of the future station design. This space will be considered as part of the future station design, however RN commented that this space is now a commercial lease owned by The Arch Company. To buy this space back from The Arch Company would require Network Rail to demonstrate it was intrinsically required for rail/station operations. Given what we know today, it is questionable that an argument could be made for this. Aside from this, The Arch Company have said they are considering development of the space and access to it, alongside any station development. At the very least, by providing lift access to platforms, the project would be providing access for all users to this space.		
5	Engagement - The project and its ongoing development is likely to have an effect on lineside neighbour residents on Holly Grove. The group suggested it would be useful to have representation from residents at the Focus Group. AW already has a relationship with Ms Clare Price a resident at no.6 Holly Grove ACTION: Approach Ms Price by email to provide a briefing of the project and potential impacts and also to discuss how representation from Holly Grove residents may best be achieved	AW by 18/09/20	Closed. AW has contacted Mrs Price 14/09/20, but she has not responded. AW also contacted Lucy Devine who has accepted.
6	Future Workshops – MS suggested an eye-catching leaflet promoting the workshops would be effective, or advertisements in South London Press or Southwark News. Digitally make use of Instragram and Twitter ACTION: Produce a leaflet to advertise the workshop, to put in the station concourse	AW by 11/10/20	Closed. We decided to put a poster in the station concourse, with a QR code people can scan for ease of use.
	ACTION: Identify opportunities for distribution with MS	AW by 11/10/20	Closed. E-mailed MS on 13/10/20.

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7	Website – groups suggested the intended website to act as a portal for information and ongoing engagement. Communication going forward is key! ACTION: Explore potential for website to share agenda, minutes, issue log, design options and a comments box for providing feedback	AW by 30/09/20	Closed. Following initial difficulties, minutes, issue log, presentation and a survey have been loaded onto dedicated web page
8	Workshop – whilst a virtual session is proposed owing to Pandemic, the group asked whether a safe physical session was possible for those who don't have digital access or where it is difficult for them ACTION: Investigate possibility of physical session	AW by 10/10/20	Closed. At the moment Network Rail corporate policy will not permit a physical workshop owing to pandemic safety risk. However, we will review this should policy change.
9	Recent improvements - The group commended the recent improvements to the station forecourt but suggested these be communicated to the local community as benefits of our collaboration ACTION: Explore publicising improvements perhaps as part of the next Station Square update	NK by 31/10/20	Open. NK agreed to use the wall space by the TSB Bank to sell the square and station project. Update: TSB have agreed to place a noticeboard on their rear wall. We have some design options, Morgan Hislop will design the boundary frame
10	Bins - The lack of bins in the forecourt was seen as problem, leading to accumulation of rubbish on the floor ACTION: Consider provision of bins in the public right of way	NK by 02/12/20	Closed. LT indicated that LB Southwark has provided an additional bin in the forecourt area. There are an additional 3 bins provided although we aren't sure who owns them.

11	Wayfinding – wayfinding inside the station and in the public realm was seen as deficient		
	ACTION: Approach Transport Signs to conduct an initial survey inside the station, using project funds	PB by 02/12/20	Closed. GTR delivered updated signage and renovated stairway inside station in April.
	ACTION: Review signage to station in the public realm vicinity	NK by 02/12/20	Closed. NK reported no plans to change external signage in the short term
12	Arch Company declined an offer for graffiti removal on their properties over the summer, suggest LB Southwark approach for a solution		
	ACTION: In next meeting between LB Southwark and Arch Company, discuss graffiti removal	NK by 10/10/20	Closed. LT to chase up by 13/01/21. AW met with Arch Co 04/12/20 who agreed to the principle of a mural / artwork.
	ACTION: Approach Peckham Peculiar to explore identifying need for this cleaning work by Arch Co	AW by 15/12/20	Closed. AW e-mailed on 21/10/20 no response, has emailed again 02/12/20. We believe the people who run the Peculiar have been unwell.
13	MS commented that the project should seek more diverse local involvement in the project. EC suggested the Rye Lane Chapel could be a good place to start to see if they are interested in helping		
	ACTION: Approach Lilian Livingston at Rye Lane Chapel	AW by 30/09/20	Closed. Ms Livingston emailed on 20/02/21 to confirm she will take part in FG's going forward.
	ACTION: Speak with NK about further representation, potentially involving Penn People for representation on Focus Group	AB by 30/09/20	Closed. NK view was involving Penn People was not appropriate.
14	Homeless people in Blenheim Grove passageway – two homeless people residing with mattresses leaving only 0.5m space for public to pass by on Blenheim Grove to access station.		
	ACTION: LB Southwark to review whether these people can be moved to improve access	, , ,	Closed. Issue has been passed to Southwark Housing Solutions team, to relocate to appropriate housing.

15	Involvement of Blenheim Grove residents – the group wanted to ensure these residents were involved given the impact		
	ACTION: Contact Madeleine Lewis by email to invite to Focus Group & Public Workshops	AW by 04/12/20	Closed. AW emailed Ms Lewis 02/12/20 with no response
16	Square Works - MS suggested using commercial artwork as a way of funding a clean-up. This has been used successfully in other areas in London. ACTION: Consider whether exterior elevations could receive this treatment.	NK / LT by 13/01/21 NK to update at next meeting 08/09/21	Open. LT has passed to Southwark's Culture Department. Update: Still looking at this and generating a co-ordinated programme around the town centre generally, including potentially painting roller shutters as well.
17	January Public Workshop – the group encouraged the project to get the message out as wide as possible! The group suggested improving the design of the poster, potentially using a catchy visual, MS suggested refine your core message, use a strap line. The poster and leaflet should focus on encouraging attendance to the January workshop. ACTION: Improve an refine poster and leaflet for use There is an opportunity to provide a poster and leaflets at Pexmas at the Copeland Gallery (contact	AW by 07/12/20	Closed. Updated leaflet produced and 500 distributed
	sarah@pexmas.com) ACTION: Contact Sarah Taylor to explore providing poster and leaflets at Pexmus The group agreed we must get the leaflets to local residents and share in bars and restaurants ACTION: post leaflets to Blenheim, Holly & Elm Grove		Closed. AW email on 02/12, with no response. Closed. AW undertook
18	residents and to local bars and restaurants Rear Gateline – CG asked what the expected use of a rear gateline would be, given knowledge of Blenheim Grove residents concern over the use of the arch access into Dovedale Court. Our modellers assumptions are that 20% of entry/exit would use any rear facing gateline either to access the businesses in Dovedale Court, or as a means of accessing the neighbourhood to the west. Many of the latter would of course be walking down Blenheim Grove today anyway. It is thought that a rear gateline by providing direct access to Dugdale Court would reduce the number of people having to use Blenheim Grove and the arch access Dovedale Court businesses.		on 19/12/20

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19	Blenheim Grove Representation - Tony Waters could be an ideal contact to represent the views of Blenheim Grove residents		
	ACTION: Share Tony Waters contact details with AW to invite to future groups	CG by 01/03/21	Closed. Tony Waters agreed on 25/02 to attend Focus Group meetings
20	Fire Escape route under platform 4		
	NOTE: CW reminded the group the passageway under		
	platform 4 forms a fire escape for the properties under		
	the arches on that side. AB confirmed that fire escape		
	route will be maintained, probably with a door or a		
	separate route to Holly Grove passageway		
21	Showing diversity – MS asked if images for the scheme		
	could be representative of the local area		
	ACTION: project will ensure diversity is shown in images	AB by 21/04/21	Closed. CGI images updated
22	Community & Stakeholder support for the scheme –		
	Whilst public support is important when the case for the		
	next stage is put to government for funding, EC		
	suggested that it would be more effective for the project		
	to build support from now.		
	DECISION: The group agree to build support to a critical		
	mass ready for the submission of the business case later		
	this year.		
		AW by 21/04/21	· ·
	will provide a presentation of the options at the next		presented and survey
	public workshop, and then will conduct a survey		on webpage
	following that session to allow the public to choose the option they liked.		
23	Compound Space on Holly Grove		
	DECISION: The group indicated they were content with		
	proposals to use part of the Hannah Barry site and the		
	road space in front as temporary compound space while		
	the project is under construction.		
24	Engagement with impacted Arch Co Leaseholders – EC		
	asked that the project ensure it engages with		
	leaseholders early to ensure they have relevant		
	information		
	ACTION: Project & Arch Co to discuss approach, including	•	Closed. Project meeting
	most recent information	10/03/21	with Arch Co and
			leaseholders before
			every meeting
	ACTION: Widen invite to other tenants in Dovedale Court		Closed. This didn't
	& those affected in Blenheim Court. Expected to be in	tenants meeting	happen for todays
	late Summer		meeting, but we have
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	ACTION: At next meeting with tenants ask if tenants want		26/11/21 Closed. Mentioned this,
	to be added to mailing list	tenant meeting	but there were no
			takers.
		<u> </u>	takers.

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	25	Impact on Dovedale Court – the group were concerned about the impact of the project on existing businesses in Dovedale Court. ACTION: project to continue to share and engage regarding proposals for compound space in Dovedale Court, to order to form the best proposal	AW by 21/04/21	Closed. Updated compound plans shared in public workshop	
	26	understood by public	AW by 21/04/21 KJ by 08/04/21	Closed. Simpler images used at workshop Closed. Leaflets hand delivered 2 weeks before workshop	
		ACTION: Try to get an article into Southwark Life and Peckham Peculiar ACTION: Share images and brief summary with group	AW by 01/03/21	Closed. Article published in Peckham Peculiar	
	27	NOTE: Peckham Vision's Twitter handle @Peckhamvision Network Rail's Twitter handle @NetworkrailSE			

28	Station Building Façade Restoration - AW is exploring with NR Asset Management team whether it is possible to make a case for restoration this year. This is certain to require external sources of funding to make it happen. MS suggested the supporting scaffold could be wrapped with a design provided by local artists, potentially including sensitive branding / advertisement to provide funds.		
	ACTION: Provide details of potential artists/sponsors		Closed. MS confirms Pernod Ricard are interested to help fund the wrap with some advertising. MS has contacts with graphic designers
	ACTION: When exploring restoration, check possibility to use a wrap	AW by 21/04/21	Closed. Project is prepared to fund a wrap on the eastern elevation which can be used to sell future of Peckham
	ACTION: prepare High level 'outline' (not design brief) of what was discussed and the three projects all working together and supply to designer.	MS / CG by 07/06/21	Closed. Brief created and issued to Graphic Designer 07/06/21
	ACTION: Arrange follow up call with graphic designer to relate brief, followed by joint site visit to visualise possibilities. Invite deliverers of new wrap (GESS).	MS by 12/06/21	Closed. Arranged for 09/06/21, design issued 06/09/21.
	ACTION: Once the proposal is confirmed, it is to be shared with Southwark planners for review		Open. Have shared outline design with Southwark, no hoarding license required as not on a public highway. Awaiting response. GTR have approved.
29	Construction Approach – CG asked how much of the work will require out of hour working and will the station remain operational. The project team are developing programmes and considering sequencing of the works for each option to minimise impact however needing to consider safety, duration, impact and cost. The central core works are proving most challenging with the phasing. TD asked for more details of the construction plan, impacts and timings in the 08/029/21 meeting		
	ACTION: Provide update on construction & impact on station at next tenants and focus group meeting in November 2021.	PJ by 03/11/21	Open PJ provided an update in 08/09 session, but will provide greater explanation in the meeting 04/11/21

30	Public Toilets – stakeholders asked that the station square		
	scheme retain the original proposal for public toilets		
	ACTION: Southwark to confirm whether toilets are to	NK by 03/11/21	Open.
	feature as part of the final design and how these are to be		
	managed to prevent misuse		
31	CGI Images – stakeholders indicated there is some		
	confusion with the current CGI images, as people confuse		
	one of the images from the back thinking it is from the		
	front.		
	ACTION: Project team to create updated CGI images	AB by 03/11/21	Open.
	including those from the front of the station, to resolve		
	confusion		
32	Artwork – An early conversation University Arts London		
	would be needed to discuss how a gallery space would		
	work.		
	ACTION: Provide UAL contact to explore future art and	NK by 03/11/21	Open.
	gallery space in the station		
33	Station Square – updated plan for the square needs to be		
	shared with local stakeholders		
	ACTION: Share updated plan, either online or by email	NK by 01/10/21	Open.
34	Wrap Artwork Comms – we need to prepare a comms		
	plan to highlight the new artwork		
	ACTION: Network Rail Comms to prepare media plan for	AW by 01/10/21	Open.
	the new wrap, should it be funded and go ahead		

NEXT MEETING: 18:00 – 20:00, Wednesday 3 November 2021, by Zoom Video Conference