



## Friends of High Town 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018

In attendance :- David Landau (Chair), Kevin Poulton (Secretary), Gill Berg (Treasurer), Nick Berg, David Alexander, Pete Savage, Kim Grieg, John Wright, Sam Willis, Russell Carter

**1. Apologies received from Cllr Andy Malcolm, Cllr Maahwish Mirza, Philippa Collier, and Fiona Morton.**

### **2. Minutes of previous meeting**

KP confirmed that it was legal and in fact quite common to use to a Virtual Address for registered offices, he cited many micro business use their accountants.

### **3. Building work**

Foxhall Homes –Request for further public consultations (with more notice and publicity), DL to ask about the boards and creation of online group, maybe in Ward Facebook page **(Action DL)**

Station House – Planning permission was denied, group suggest we try and work with the agent before re-submission. **(Action DL)**

### **4. Conservation Area**

RC has sent email highlighting concern, awaiting a response.

### **5. People's Park**

Replacement benches - DL has been in contact with Jane in the parks department, has notification back that some work is scheduled to take place in May / June.

Planting – A wider Tree Strategy is being worked on to ensure the bio-diversity, this item will be removed from agenda until this has been completed.

Bins – It was noted that some of the bins have sustained damaged to their tops. DL to report. (Action DL)

Green flag, KP enquired when judging for next annual Green Flag Award would take place. DL confirmed likely in June



## 6. Parking

Kingston Road , Yellow line painting has been completed,

Reginald Street – GB shared photos of parking on Reginald Street which has a Residents Parking zone from 9am-5pm but is full of business vans parked from 5pm-9am. Blocking parking discriminates against shift workers and non-workers who are unable to park outside their homes when needed. GB suggests resident's zone be extended 8am-8pm. **(Action GB)**

## 7. New issues

New planning –

- 16-18 / 1 York Street to build a block of flats, DL to review and left to his discretion to object if he found anything significant in the application.
- Midland Rd, creation of a HMO
- 4A William St – 4 flats
- 90A Midland Rd – 2 Retails Units. Group felt space for 2 retails units wasn't appropriate, due to size.

## 8 Other Groups

a. Edible High Town – planting sessions every Wednesday from 10am-1pm. Meet at Noah. Also working with LBC to make plans for the planters.

## 9 Any other business

**Date of next meeting: 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018**