
The H.O.M.E. Residents' Association

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Community Meeting on Traffic

8 January 2019 at 7 pm, Ashburton Hall

This meeting was called for by our councillors Maddie Henson and Jeet Brains.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the representation for Addiscombe East and West roads in future meetings looking into how to resolve the traffic issues caused by changes to traffic flow in Addiscombe Court Road and Canning Road. The meeting was facilitated by Jonny Zander.

Well over 120 residents attended this meeting. On the whole it was a well-tempered meeting with few raising their voices.

The introduction referred to a divided community, but this was quickly challenged by some in the room – it was generally agreed that the problem was entirely the creation of the Council and the residents of individual roads were not responsible for the chaos.

A number of questions were asked of the group. Examples include:

- (i) How many loved Croydon
- (ii) How many were unhappy with the current traffic situation
- (iii) How many felt there could be a compromise solution

It was fairly clear from the response to the questions, that there was an almost united view that the changes were neither wanted by the majority of residents, nor were the result of the changes acceptable.

After much discussion – with some strong views expressed – it was agreed that the best way to proceed with Stage II was to ask our Residents Associations to select one person (from a number of roads) to represent their road's view in future discussions. If there were individuals who should also form part of this consultative group, they should put their names forward (this included Business stakeholders). The RAs would send names and contact details to our two councillors who would then take over Phase II (and beyond), keeping RAs fully informed at all stages.

In Phase II, the selected group of residents would propose solutions to this issue, taking into account the values agreed at the meeting on January 8th 2019. The names of street representatives must be sent to Jeet and Maddie by the end of February.

The values drawn up during the discussions required the following points had to be taken into consideration when recommending any solutions (not in any specific order), such as:

- Compromise
- Consulted, including hearing from the quiet voices
- Liveable streets
- Safety
- Environmental and sustainability
- Quality of life
- Fairness
- Piloting of any changes
- Realistic and deliverable
- Future planning
- Data driven and accurate

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