

Chairman's Report for February 2021 Committee Meeting

Chaville Court- Thames water chased up, update received 26 January and circulated to the Committee. I also forwarded it to Theresa Villiers' office.

Cycle Lanes in High Road- Responses to original FoI received. Responses to further FoI still awaited. FBWRA members informed of petition of Council website. Also publicised on NextDoor by a Committee member. Result- numbers supporting rose from about 137 to 536. Cycle lanes considered at Finchley & Golders Green Residents Form on 6 January- awaiting news of outcome.

Parking Charges in Parks – submitted consultation submission to Council, and FoI request about financial aspects of charging – responses received but not yet reviewed.

Council websites- submitted FoI request - responses received but not yet reviewed).

Congestion in FBL and FBR - submitted FoI request-(responses awaited). I decided to defer petitions until responses available and more facts known.

Council Petitions- I enquired (Barnet Council Governance Service) about the timing – I was advised that if posting a petition we can choose the duration. No limit.

20 mph limits in Queens' Avenue and surrounding Roads – I had a lengthy discussion with a resident of Queens' Ave who is a member of a local group "QUANCAM" campaigning for 20 mph zones in several local roads. I explained what we were planning in relation to FBL. They are waiting until later in the year before doing anything but would like us to run an article in our summer Newsletter.

AGM arrangements sub-committee – We have discussed arrangements and will circulate a note. To be discussed at Committee meeting.

Planning-

St John's Church Hall- objection submitted as discussed at January meeting.

143 Friern Barnet Lane- objection submitted as discussed at January meeting.

231 Colney Hatch Lane- following approval by Council this has now gone to the Mayor of London. Friern Village Residents' Association are pressing for the Mayor to reject the application.

(Although it may he will approve it but further reduce parking provision!!)

North Finchley Town Centre Regeneration –I have asked to be appointed to the Partnership Board- no response so far.

Homebase site – the Council rejected the application for redevelopment - this now goes to the Mayor of London who can approve it anyway.

Quality of planning advice- we were copied in on an email to local Councillors from Member Fred Mayer, to which I responded.

Parking Surveys for planning applications- submitted FoI request (responses awaited).