

FBWRA Chairman's Report for May 2022 Committee Meeting for website

Planning –

Barnet House redevelopment – the planning enquiry for the appeal against non-determination of the application will commence on 10 May and is scheduled to last 8 days.

Application 20/5845/FUL St Johns Church Hall N20 OLP- contrary to earlier information from the planning department, it appears the later application, for more, smaller, flats has been approved subject to a s106 Agreement.

Application 21/ 5449/FUL 1522 High Road London N20 9PT Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a new two storey dwelling with basement level and rooms in the roof space, to provide 8no. self-contained flats. Still pending consideration.

22/0310/HSE 277 Oakleigh Road North N20 ODG – retrospective application for alterations and garden building- objection submitted. Application refused 29 April.

22/1593/PNT Friern Barnet Rd telecoms mast- objection to the revised application submitted. Mailchimp sent to members advising of the new application has resulted in sufficient objections to prevent officers approving the application under delegated powers. Telecom company's agent has failed to respond to my request for her to contact me to discuss.

FBL congestion. Next steps – analysis to be completed and considered in light of effect of recent double yellow lining. I have asked a highways officer for a meeting- no response. No change since last month. I plan to submit a FOI request to find out history of the new yellow lines

Display Boards – possibility of borrowing from the History Society – further investigation required (outstanding action on my part)

Responsiveness of the Council –

Senior officers - I have been emailing two senior Council officers, one concerning seemingly unauthorised action by officers and another concerning CPZ proposals, and both of whom seem unwilling to respond even after being reminded. No change since last month.

FOI request for information as to expectations of response times to enquiries where there is no statutory timescale – “For reply to emails the corporate standard is that emails and web Forms are responded to within 5 days.”

Ukraine donation – we are in contact with the Council on this.

FORAB – I took part in a Zoom meeting on 14 April. Minutes to follow.