

THE LONDON FORUM

of Amenity and Civic Societies

Founded 1988
Charity Registered Number 1093134



28th ANNUAL REPORT

2015 - 2016

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2016

Notice is given to members that the
AGM of the London Forum of Amenity and Civic Societies

will be held on

Tuesday October 25 2016, 6pm for 6.30pm

at

The Gallery

Alan Baxter and Associates,

77 Cowcross Street, London, near Farringdon Station, EC1M 6EL

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and introduction**
- 2. Minutes of the AGM of November 17 2015**
- 3. Chairman's Report**
- 4. Financial Report - Subscription rates for 2017**
- 5. Approval of Annual Report and Accounts for 2015-16**
- 6. Election of Honorary Independent Examiner**
- 7. Election of Officers and Trustees**
- 8. Any Other Business**

**After the AGM there will be drinks and light refreshments
followed by**

an

Open meeting and discussion for Members

on

**How civic societies can develop their work
and attract younger participants for engagement
and succession planning**

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Constitution

The London Forum of Amenity and Civic Societies is an unincorporated association founded in 1988 and registered as a charity in 2002. It is governed by a constitution last revised in 2008. The aim of the organisation is the protection and improvement of the quality of life of people living, working in or visiting the area of Greater London. The objects of the London Forum can be summarised as the promotion and encouragement of:

1. High standards of planning, design, infrastructure and transport;
2. Conservation and heritage protection;
3. Improvement to the built environment, open spaces, waterways and amenities;
4. Knowledge of, and interest in, the aims of the London Forum by members, Non-Government Organisations and others;
5. Civic pride and community involvement;
6. Sustainable development.

Activities of the London Forum are summarised on page 24 of this report.

Organisation structure

The London Forum is administered by the Executive Committee of up to 15 trustees, which meets every two months. The trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting by the voting members of the London Forum, which are amenity and civic societies in the Greater London area. Matters of detail are delegated to the Planning and Transport Committee, which reports to the Executive Committee. All the work of the London Forum is carried out by volunteers.

Review of the year ended 30 June 2016

Recognition of London Forum

London Forum was very pleased that in the New Year Honours List an MBE was awarded to its Chairman, Peter Eversden. The citation gave

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recognition to his 20 years as a trustee of London Forum and his service to other civic and heritage groups: "Chair, London Forum of Amenity and Civic Societies. For services to Community Engagement in Planning for London." Mr Eversden commented: "It is an honour for the whole Forum, and our constructive criticism of Government policies on behalf of our many members."

The Forum also congratulates London Forum P&T Committee member Rosemarie MacQueen on her appointment as an Historic England Commissioner.

Congratulations are sent also to those in member societies who have received an honour or other award in the past year.

The Government which was formed in May 2015 continued a programme of relaxing the planning system in England in the belief that planning was a serious brake on the provision of new homes. In the view of the Forum and many other concerned bodies these changes (foreshadowed in the July 2015 White Paper 'Fixing the Foundations') fail to reconcile the different objectives which should be the purpose of the planning system. As last year, the Forum has continued tirelessly to put the case for a proper planning system, well resourced and properly enforced, and to try to get the Government to modify its policies, but with little success.

The Forum is particularly concerned that the policies are not all suitable for London, yet are imposed on it although the Greater London Authority Act gives the Mayor the right to have a London spatial development plan and associated guidance so long as it is 'in general conformity' to the National Planning Policy Framework.

Parliamentary Business

Much of your Committee's time this year has been consumed by the Housing and Planning Bill. The Forum's concerns about the content of the Bill were published and updated, and notified to members through the web site. The Forum was extremely active in trying get amendments to the Bill as it went through the Houses of Parliament, especially through briefing critics in the House of Lords.

The Forum increased the general awareness of the consequences of removing planning controls on change of use from offices, launderettes, industrial buildings, etc. to residential, and campaigned for parliamentary

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action against the Statutory Instruments making these provisions permanent. Ruth Cadbury MP supported London Forum by initiating one of two Early Day Motions we managed to have raised in the Commons against the Statutory Instruments. Both EDMs attracted good support by MPs and, as a result, the Government responded with a modification to give Local Planning Authorities a criterion related to local need for handling prior approvals for conversion of launderettes.

The Forum also

- made input to Communities and Local Government (CLG) Select Committee's call for evidence on planning changes, which was published;
- tracked the House of Lords Select Committee on National Policy for the Built Environment which produced very sound recommendations in 'Building Better Places' with criticism of the current government policy as "unlikely to meet demand for either the quantity or quality of houses we need";
- put suggestions to the Local Plans Expert Group and commented to the CLG Committee on the Group's recommendations.
- gave evidence to the Environmental Audit Committee on the Airports Commission report.

Contacts with Ministers and political parties

The London Forum has been disappointed at how few MPs had any interest in planning. However contacts have been made with MPs Heidi Alexander, Helen Hayes, Victoria Borwick and with three new MPs: Dr Rupa Huq chair of the new All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) for London's Planning and Built Environment, Ruth Cadbury who was with Planning Aid for London and Catherine West of the APPG for London. If the Forum is to be as effective as possible in conveying its concerns to London MPs, it is, however, vital that London Forum Members should communicate these concerns to their MPs and ask them to contact the Forum for any further information.

The Mayor and Assembly

Prior to the Mayoral election the London Forum raised queries with the candidates for Mayor of London on their manifestos.

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The election of Sadiq Khan as the new Mayor of London led to changes in the political leadership of the Greater London Authority. Several new Assembly Members were elected, including two replacement Green Party candidates.

London Forum held meetings with Members chairing key committees and others to explain our aspirations, to influence their future work programmes and to seek engagement in their scrutinies.

Peter Eversden continued during the year as a member of the Mayor's Outer London Commission, and publicised their meetings to London Forum members. He attended Commission meetings with boroughs in each of the four London quadrants to investigate development subjects and questions for the preparation of a Replacement London Plan.

Michael Bach and Peter Eversden were involved in Greater London Authority meetings on Supplementary Planning Guidance, housing capacity/need, industrial land policy and London Plan review.

Forum Committee members keep in touch with Assembly Committees and attend other meetings held by the Greater London Authority. Examples have included ones on Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance on the Central Activities Zone, on 'City in the East' and on Housing.

Opportunity Areas

The Forum is concerned that the development of Opportunity Areas seems rather too haphazard. Only Euston so far has had a plan examination and others have only a planning framework. An exception is the Old Oak and Park Royal Opportunity Area for which the last Mayor appointed a Mayoral Development Corporation (similar to the one for the Olympic London Legacy site) which is producing an MDC Local Plan for that Opportunity Area and is monitored by Peter Eversden.

Consultations

The Forum's strengthened Planning and Transport Committee (P&T) has been able to make responses to a large number of consultations this year. Committee Chairman, Michael Bach has also corresponded directly with Government or Greater London Authority officers and with MPs and Assembly members on several occasions.

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In particular the P&T Committee discussed and submitted comments on behalf of the Forum on:

- Changes to the National Planning Policy Framework;
- Upward Extensions in London (Michael Bach);
- The Technical consultation on Implementation of Planning Changes;
- 'Starter' Homes (Peter Eversden);
- Air Quality (Daniel Instone);
- Freedom of Information call for evidence (Derek Chandler);
- HS2 Phase One (Andrew Bosi);
- Silvertown Tunnel scheme (Dick Allard and Michael Bach);
- Private Hire Regulations Review (Peter Pickering).

Peter Eversden gave evidence to the Lords Economic Affairs Select Committee for their examination of the economics of the UK housing market. They issued a hard hitting report criticising the Government's housing policy.

Transport

Dick Allard, Daniel Instone, Andrew Bosi and David Lewis continue to scrutinise transport matters and submit responses for the London Forum. Andrew Bosi regularly updates committee members with his Friends of Capital Transport email Newsletter on transport in London. Matters dealt with amongst others during the year have included the Davies Report on Airport expansion, the cycle superhighway and the National Infrastructure Commission on Crossrail focussing on the London wide implications, and bearing in mind that individual member societies take differing views on some of the details.

The narrow focus of the consultation by the Environmental Audit Committee on the Airports Commission report meant that the Forum could not adequately cover the full range of its criticisms.

Communications

Mike Roden continues to work on the LF website, increasing its facilities. There is now a good hit rate on the News/Updates page of the web site. The Chairman continues to send regular general updates by email alerting members to issues of interest or concern, and to use the various available

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postings online to publicise London Forum's activities and to keep members informed of anything that might help in their relationship with their Local Authorities. The followers for the Chairman's London Forum's Twitter site have increased to 520. These were particularly valuable in enabling the Forum to draw members attention to the Housing and Planning Bill to seek their MPs' intervention.

Members were also circulated with updates from London Forum Associates, such as the National Federation of Parks and Green Spaces, and regular informative press releases from the Open Spaces Society. Access to *Planning in London* magazine continues to be provided by email, providing members with access to an essential source of information.

Newsforum appears three times a year (twice in print and once in electronic form only) with a wealth of informative articles. Due to the negligible cost of the electronic version it is possible to expand the number of pages and use colour photos.

London Forum collaboration with other bodies

The Forum has a strong relationship with a network of other organisations concerned with the well-being of London, and the list continues to grow, providing invaluable information and mutual support for all involved.

The Forum has established a good liaison with Historic England (the successor body to English Heritage). A very useful meeting was held by committee members with Nigel Barker (then the Planning Director for London) and Rachael McMillan (Local Engagement Adviser to London Planning Team). The Forum was pleased to welcome Mr. Barker and Sarah Gibson from the Historic England Listing team to speak to a London Forum Open Meeting for members.

Michael Hammerson continues to be the Forum's contact point with Heritage Alliance. He is a member of their Spatial Planning Advocacy Group, and represents the Forum at their 'Heritage Day' annual meeting and other events, including seminars on the reform of heritage protection in England, and, with Daniel Instone, the Heritage Alliance Event on effective PR in June. He is also a member of the London Historic Environment Forum convened by Historic England.

The Forum continues to maintain close contact with Civic Voice. The Chairman and others have attended the Civic Voice All-Party Parliamentary Group meetings, and the Civic Voice Sandys Lecture given by Sir Terry

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Farrell. The Chairman has hosted several meetings in London of their panel of regional representatives and Board members.

Committee members regularly attend meetings and conferences of the Centre for London, Future for London, New London Architecture, Urban Design London, the London Tenants Federation, the National Planning Forum, the London Planning and Development Forum, The London Society, the Campaign for Better Transport and the West London River Group. The Chairman also ran a transport workshop for the Just Space Network and publicised a report on it.

Other events attended by the Chairman and other Committee members

A wide variety of other meetings and events were attended by the Chairman and committee members in furtherance of London Forum's objects including several different All Party Parliamentary Group meetings in connection with London governance, civil society and planning.

The Chairman is working closely with West London groups on the consideration of another runway at Heathrow.

Diane Burridge attended the launch by the Town and Country Planning Association of their manifesto *Planning for People*.

Verina Glaessner attended the London Riverside Opportunity Area Planning Framework launch and reported on it for Newsforum.

Open meetings

The Forum's events in the Gallery again provided a wide variety of topical subjects.

2015

September: Development Viability with guest speakers Sacha Winfield-Ferreira (BNP Paribas Viability and Affordable Housing Team) and John Wachter, S.106 and Development Viability Manager for LB Islington.

November: the London Forum's AGM and Media Awards presentation. The guest speaker was the distinguished journalist Rowan Moore, who had chaired the judging panel, presented the awards and gave a keynote speech. Details of the winners were published in Newsforum issue 71.

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January: Social Media Event with guest speakers John Knights of the Sheila McKechnie Foundation and Barbara Weiss of the Skyline Campaign.

March: Mayoral Hustings jointly with CPRE London and Planning Aid, in the run up to the Mayoral election. The guest chair was Tony Juniper, environmental campaigner.

May: Parks and Open Spaces with guest speakers Alice Roberts, Green Spaces Officer CPRE London: John Lavery, Trustee of the Open Spaces Society; Tony Leach, Chief Executive London Parks and Green Spaces Forum, Dave Morris. Chair London Green Spaces Friends Groups Network, William Fraser, Chairman Metropolitan Public Gardens Association.

June: Meet Historic England with guest speakers Nigel Barker, Historic England's Planning and Conservation Director, London, and Sarah Gibson, from the listing team.

Membership

London Forum welcomes and encourages news from its members and copies of their newsletters and reports. Members have again been active in responding to government and local consultations; these initiatives at the local level are vital in complementing the Forum's activities as its members' feedback, which is invaluable in guiding the Forum's work and in providing the material for the interesting Round the Societies section of Newsforum, which enables members to learn how other amenity groups are addressing the many issues of common concern, or of new local initiatives.

London Forum is particularly grateful for the extra donations which many member societies make in addition to their membership fees (see Finance Report page 12).

Appreciation for Alan Baxter

London Forum warmly thanks Alan Baxter and Associates for their continuing invaluable support in generously providing office and meeting space, facilities, and valuable networking opportunities with other organizations, and for their continuing close interest in the Forum's work and wellbeing.

Finances for the year to 30 June 2016

Total income for the year was £3,802.

Subscription income (£3,454) remains the largest element of the Forum's income. The online membership renewal system is now generally working well, although many members still do not to use it, so that the Treasurer and Membership Secretary continue to process many of the subscriptions received. By 30 June 2016 we had received subscriptions from 91 member societies and individuals, compared to only 80 last year. Last year's subscriptions included sums paid in respect of years before 2015, which is why they show a higher total for 2015.

We are very grateful to the nine Societies who made voluntary donations totaling £270 to the Forum this year. The total is significantly lower than last year (£3,537), almost entirely because last year we received a large bequest from the estate of Mr Bernard Selwyn.

Bank interest remained low, and will continue to fall, with interest rates on all types of accounts now at negligible levels. There remains the possibility that we may be charged interest by some banks for holding credit balances next year. We will of course take action to avoid this if possible.

Expenses for the year were £3,108 (2015: £2,784). The Trustees took action to reduce our telephone costs, and our IT costs are lower this year. Prizes totaling £500 were paid to the five winning entrants to the London Forum Media Awards in 2015 for the first time.* The costs of producing NewsForum, are slightly higher largely because of increases in postal charges and paper costs. The net financial outcome for the year was a surplus of £694 (2015: £4,571).

The balance sheet of the London Forum at 30 June 2016 shows that total net assets amounted to £29,217, almost wholly cash and deposits (2015: £28,523).

Risk management

The major risks to which the London Forum is exposed, as identified by the trustees, are reviewed regularly, and the trustees are satisfied that suitable action is being taken to manage those risks.

**The costs of Media Awards will appear only every other year due to their timing*

Statement of the Executive Committee's responsibilities for financial statements

Charity law requires the Executive Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the London Forum and of the income and expenditure for the year then ended. In preparing the financial statements, the Executive Committee is required to select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently, make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, and prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the London Forum will continue in business. The Executive Committee has responsibility for maintaining proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the London Forum and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with charity regulations. It also has responsibility for safeguarding the assets of the London Forum and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the Executive Committee

P. Eversden,
Chairman
September 2016

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Statement of financial activities for the year ended 30 June 2016

	Note	2016 £	2015 £
Incoming resources			
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds</i>			
Subscription income		3,454	3,737
Donations		270	3,537
Investment income – deposit interest		78	81
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Total incoming resources		3,802	7,355
 <i>Resources expended</i>			
<i>Cost of charitable activities</i>			
Newsletters		1,348	1,132
Public meetings & events		500	0
Support costs		1,260	1,652
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Total resources expended	2	3,108	2,784
 Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year			
		694	4,571
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General fund at beginning of year		28,523	23,952
General fund at end of year		29,217	28,523
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Balance Sheet at 30 June 2016

		2016	2015
		£	£
	Note		
Fixed assets-tangible assets	4	19	0
Current assets			
Investments – bank deposits		23,582	23,217
Cash at bank and in hand		5,647	5,318
		<u>29,229</u>	<u>28,535</u>
Current liabilities: amounts falling due within 1 year			
Creditors & accruals		<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>
Net current assets		29,217	28,523
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>29,217</u>	<u>28,523</u>
Funds			
General fund	5	<u>23,125</u>	<u>28,523</u>

Approved by the trustees on 23rd August 2016
and signed on their behalf by

P. Eversden – Chairman

A.S. Allen – Hon Treasurer

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2016

1. Accounting policies

a. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. They have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards (including the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities published in March 2005) and on a going concern basis. The London Forum is an unincorporated association founded in 1988 and became a charity in July 2002.

b. Income and expenditure

Income for the year is brought into the financial statements when received or when there is certainty of receipt. Income received in advance is carried forward. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

The Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities requires that costs be allocated between direct charitable expenditure, fund raising, and management and administration. For those categories of expenditure where direct attribution is not applicable, apportionment has been applied on the basis of the effort estimated to have been devoted to each activity.

c. Fund accounting

All of the London Forum's funds are unrestricted. The Executive Committee has designated a certain amount of the funds to be used for special projects.

d. Subscription income

Subscriptions are recognised when received.

e. Services provided

The Society benefits from the provision, without charge, of a variety of skills and other services by committee members and friends of the London Forum. The benefit is not reflected in these accounts since it is not regarded as practicable to estimate its value.

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f. Fixed assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Fixed assets, which comprise office equipment, are depreciated on a straight-line basis over 4 years.

2. Total resources expended

There are no staff costs and the majority of costs comprises direct costs. The Independent Examiner does not charge a fee for his examination of the accounts of the London Forum.

3. Transactions with Members of the Executive Committee

No trustee or person defined by Accounting Standards as "related to them" received any remuneration for services as a trustee or in a management capacity during the year or any reimbursement of expenses other than for expenditure incurred as agent for the London Forum.

4. Fixed assets

	£
<i>Cost of office equipment</i>	
At 1 July 2015	1,276
Additions	-
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At 30 June 2016	1,276
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<i>Depreciation of office equipment</i>	
At 1 July 2015	1,276
Charge for the year	-
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At 30 June 2016	1,276
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<i>Net book value</i>	
At 30 June 2016	0
At 1 July 2015	0
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5. General fund

The general fund, which is unrestricted, contains an element of funds that has been designated by the Executive Committee for use in special projects:

	Designated £	Undesignated £	Total £
Balance brought forward at 1 July 2015	6,023	22,500	28,523
Net incoming resources for the year	0	694	694
Transfers	(450)	450	-
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Balance carried forward at 30 June 2016	<u>4,573</u>	<u>23,644</u>	<u>29,217</u>

The trustees are satisfied that the reserves are sufficient to finance the existing level of activities, and to support business plans for the foreseeable future.

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Bankers

CAF Bank
COIF Deposit Fund
Lloyds TSB
Scottish Widows Bank

Independent examiner

P J Egan,
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Report of the Independent Examiner to the Executive Committee of The London Forum of Amenity and Civic Societies

I report on the accounts of The London Forum for the year ended 30 June 2016, which are set out on pages 14 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present "a true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

P J Egan,
1 September 2016

THE LONDON FORUM COMMITTEES AND PATRONS

Patrons

Alan Baxter CBE
Dame Jennifer Jenkins, DBE
Professor Tony Travers

Vice-Presidents

Tony Aldous, LLB, FRSA
Marion Harvey, MBE, BA, MSc, FRSA
Judy Hillman, MA, FRSA
David Lewis MA, DPhil, FRSA
Bill Tyler, RIBA, AADipl, IHBC

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2015-16

Trustees

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Derek Chandler <i>Hampstead Garden Suburb RA</i> Honorary Secretary	020 8455 3822	Peter Pickering <i>Finchley Society</i> Minutes Secretary	020 8445 2807
Michael Bach <i>Kensington Society</i> Chair Planning & Transport Committee	020 7937 3825	Michael Hammerson <i>Highgate Society</i>	020 8341 1437
Tony Allen <i>Chislehurst Society</i> Honorary Treasurer	020 8467 2748	Martin Jones <i>Highbury Fields Association</i> (until February 9th 2016)	020 7226 2145
Diane Burridge <i>Highbury Community Association</i> Membership Secretary (until December 2015)	020 7226 0650	Co-opted Marion Harvey	01873 890 321
Bill Linskey <i>Brixton Society</i> Membership Secretary (from December 2015)	020 7274 3835	Bill Tyler	020 8883 2006

LONDON FORUM MEMBERS & ASSOCIATES

Amwell Society
Angel Association

Balham Society
Barnet Society
Battersea Society
Beckenham Civic Society
Bedford Park Society
Bexley Civic Society
Blackheath Society
Brixton Society
Bromley Civic Society
Brompton Association

Camberwell Society
Camden Civic Society
Carshalton Society
C.A.S.C.H. (Crouch End)
Charlton Society
Chelsea Society
Chislehurst Society
City Heritage Society
Clapham Society
Crystal Palace Community
Association
Crystal Palace Foundation
Culverley Green Residents
Association

Dulwich Society
Duncan Terrace Residents
Association

Ealing Civic Society
Ealing Fields Residents Association
Earl's Court Society
East Dulwich Society
Enfield Society
Finchley Society

Forest Hill Society
Friends of Battersea Park
Friends of Brockwell Park
Friends of Greenwich Park
Friends of Jubilee Gardens
Friends of Richmond Park
Friends of St. George's Gardens
Fulham Society

Gidea Park and District Civic Society
Greenwich Environment Forum
Greenwich Society

Hackney Society
Hammersmith & Fulham Historic
Buildings Group
Hammersmith Community Trust
Hammersmith Society
Hampstead Garden Suburb
Residents Association
Harrow Heritage Trust
Harrow Hill Trust
Heath and Hampstead Society
Herne Hill Society
Highbury Community Association
Highbury Fields Association
Highgate Society
Hyde Park Estate Association

Isleworth Society
Islington Society

Kensington Society
Kew Society
Kingston-upon-Thames Society
Knightsbridge Association

Ladbroke Association
Lambethan's Society
Lee Manor Society

LONDON FORUM MEMBERS

Lewisham Environment Trust
London Society

Marylebone Association
Metropolitan Public Gardens
Association

Mill Hill Preservation Society
Mortlake and East Sheen Society
Muswell Hill & Fortis Green
Association

Netherhall Neighbourhood
Association

New Barnet Community
Association

Newington Green Action Group
Northolt & Greenford Countryside
Park Society

Norwood Society

Old Chiswick Protection Society
Paddington R.A.C.T.

Paddington Waterways and
Maida Vale Society

Penge Forum
Pinner Association
Putney Society

Richmond Hill Terrace Residents
Association

Richmond Society

Seven Dials Trust
Smithfield Trust
Soho Society
South East Bayswater Residents
Association

South End Green Association
Southgate District Civic Trust

St. John's Wood Society
St. Mary Cray Action Group
St. Marylebone Society
Stamford Brook Residents
Association

Stanmore Society
Strawberry Hill Residents
Association

Streatham Society
Sutton and Cheam Society
Sydenham Society

Teddington Society
Telegraph Hill Conservation Society
Tewkesbury Lodge Estate
Residents Association

The Environment Trust
Thorney Island Society
Tottenham Civic Society
Twickenham Society

Victoria Drive Conservation Area
Residents Association

Waltham Forest Civic Society
Wandsworth Society
West Hampstead Amenity and
Transport Group

Westbourne Neighbourhood
Association

Westcombe Society
Westminster Society
Wimbledon Society
Woolwich & District Antiquarian
Society

Worcester Park Residents
Association

York House Society

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Over the years the London Forum has enjoyed the support of many professional and commercial organisations, some of whom are Associate Members.

Adams Loxton Partnership Ltd
Age Concern London
Alan Baxter and Associates
Association of North Thames
Amenity Societies
Bio Regional Development Group
CPRE London Branch
Campaign for Better Transport
Campaign for the Abolition of
Residential Leaseholds
Civic Design Partnership
Coin Street Community Builders
Crystal Palace Campaign
Environmental Law Foundation
Frederick Stafford Planning
Friends of Islington Museum
Friends of the Earth London Region
Generation Tent
Georgian Group
Groundwork Foundation
HACAN (Heathrow Association
for Control of Aircraft Noise)
Highgate Conservation Area
Advisory Committee
International Design Eco Awards
Islington Archaeology & History
Society
Lambeth Public Transport
Committee
Lea River Trust
Learning Through Landscapes
in London
Living Streets
London Cycling Campaign
London Green Belt Council
London Parks & Gardens Trust
London Planning & Development
Forum
London Research Centre
TravelWatch
London Voluntary Service Council
London Wildlife Trust
London & Middlesex
Archaeological Society
Muswell Hill Friends of the Earth
Open House London
Open Spaces Society
Planning Aid for London
RIBA London Region
Ramblers Association (Inner London)
SAVE
Society for Protection of
Ancient Buildings
South London Link Travellers
Association
Sustainable London Trust
Town and Country Planning
Association
Trees for Cities
Twentieth Century Society
Urban Design Group
Urban and Economic Development
Victorian Society
Wandle Industrial Museum
West London River Group

ABOUT THE LONDON FORUM

The LONDON FORUM helps civic societies, residents' associations and other community groups to work together to protect and improve the quality of life in London.

Since its foundation in 1988, under the auspices of The Civic Trust, it has grown in strength and influence derived from the participation of over 130 local societies with a combined membership of tens of thousands of Londoners, plus around 50 Associate Groups and individual subscribers.

The LONDON FORUM

Represents

. . . . its members on London-wide issues, liaising with the Mayor's office and Greater London Authority Assembly members, national and local government, government agencies and bodies influencing planning, the environment, road management, transport and regeneration in London. It has been a member of the development team of London Civic Forum that works with the GLA.

Supports

. . . . local community and civic societies, and channels their views and concerns to other relevant London-wide groups.

Responds to

. . . . key consultation papers, draft strategies, reports, and other policy documents, as they arise, regarding London's ever changing issues and concerns.

Publishes

. . . . "Newsforum", a regular newsletter aimed at keeping member societies informed and providing a platform for their views and for mutual support. All major London professional and environmental groups, Borough Chief Executives and Leaders, the Mayor, GLA members and officers, London MPs and MEPs and the media receive copies.

Organises

. . . . meetings, events, seminars, award schemes and exhibitions on topics of importance to those who live and work in London and publicity for the achievements of its member organisations.

The LONDON FORUM's responses

. . . . are based on surveys of member societies' views. These have shown a remarkable consensus on a range of London-wide issues. Feedback shows that the priorities are

- **strategic planning and control for sustainable development with context sensitivity and sufficient local infrastructure,**
- **development of an integrated London-wide public transport and traffic policy,**
- **efficient, safe and affordable transport, of adequate capacity,**
- **addressing issues related to**
 - traffic, rat-running and pollution
 - parks, open spaces, sports fields and Green Belt
 - regeneration of local shops and town centres
 - good urban design
 - protecting Conservation Areas
 - retaining and developing local amenities
 - proliferation of licensed premises - the 24 hour society
 - personal safety
 - graffiti, litter and vandalism
 - lack of resources and cuts in borough front-line services
 - entirely different standards of public engagement among London Boroughs

Membership

Full Members are civic and local amenity societies across London.

Associates are businesses and professional organisations London-wide and single interest groups.

Individuals can also join.

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