

# **THE LONDON FORUM**

of Amenity and Civic Societies

Founded 1988  
Charity Registered Number 1093134



**29th ANNUAL REPORT**  
**2016 - 2017**



# **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017**

Notice is given to members that the

**AGM of the London Forum of Amenity and Civic Societies**

will be held on

**Tuesday 12th October 2017, 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 Tuesday October 25th 2016**
- 3. Chairman's Report**
- 4. Financial Report - Subscription rates for 2018**
- 5. Approval of Annual Report and Accounts for 2016-17**
- 6. Appointment of Honorary Independent Examiner**
- 7. Election of Officers and Trustees**
- 8. Amendment to the Constitution**
- 9. Any Other Business**

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

**and the**

**London Forum Awards**

**followed by our guest speaker, London Forum Patron**

**Professor Tony Travers**

## 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 2017*

The London Forum has maintained progress in the last year against a background of extraordinary political events, including an unexpected General Election, and continues its focus on how London's environment can be improved for all its citizens.

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The Planning and Transport Committee has widened its remit, and has Air Quality, Litter, Waste and Noise, among other topics, on its regular agenda; to recognise this, 'Environment' has been added to its title. It is hoped in the future, because of the fundamental importance of housing for the people of London, to strengthen the Committee with more expertise on this topic, and perhaps adding 'Housing' to its title.

### **Dame Jennifer Jenkins**

We were very sad to report the death of our founder Patron, Dame Jennifer Jenkins; she had given 29 years of much appreciated support and advice to London Forum.

### **Government and legislation**

The Forum has been doing as much as it can to keep in touch with Ministers and Members of Parliament, through direct approaches and co-operation with Select Committees and with All-Party Parliamentary Groups. But the rules restricting contact with individual MPs to their own constituents are a real drawback, and one where member societies can materially help by relaying our concerns to their MPs. Dialogue with Members of the House of Lords was found useful during consideration of Bills before Parliament last year.

The Government continued tinkering with the planning system up to the calling of the June 2017 general election, and the Forum kept in touch and attempted to influence what was going on in the interests of good planning. A very welcome amendment to the Neighbourhood Planning Bill late in its passage through Parliament withdrew permitted development rights from the demolition of pubs.

Many of the provisions in the Housing and Planning Act 2016 were awaiting implementation during the year, and the Forum was in contact about them with the Chief Planner of the Department of Communities and Local Government. The Forum made a full response to the White Paper 'Fixing Our Broken Housing Market', pointing out many of the misunderstandings in it. Concerned that the planning system may no longer be fit for purpose, the Town and Country Planning Association has initiated a full review, called the Raynsford Review of Planning, with which the Forum is co-operating.

The Forum worked with Generation Rent and others to seek improvements in the private rented sector. The Government's controversial 'Starter Homes' proposals, strongly opposed by many not least because they would cause the enforced sale of social housing units, seem to have been shelved.

Decisions on planning applications which do not seem to accord with planning policies are of great concern to members; a Third Party Right of Appeal has been sought; Civic Voice lobbied strongly on behalf of civic societies for an amendment.

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The House of Lords agreed on the requirement last August but the Government used its majority in the House of Commons to overturn it.

The Forum supports provision of more resources on conservation and urban design in boroughs to improve staff levels, and higher fees to deal with planning applications.

### **The Mayor and Assembly**

The election of a new Mayor in May 2016 means that there will be a new London Plan, embodying Sadiq Khan's policies and priorities, rather than those of his predecessor. The Forum was involved in the preliminary consultations about his document called 'A City for All Londoners' and associated workshops, during 2016/7, and expects it will take up much time when the draft Plan appears late in 2017. The forecasts of the need for housing, on which many of the policies in the Plan depend, are being examined thoroughly and critically as are the Mayor's strategies and supplementary planning guidance.

Proposals were made to the GLA London Plan team and Transport for London on how the housing density matrix should be updated and used.

The Forum has been concerned that the Mayor's Development Corporations, particularly that for Old Oak Common, can act outside democratic planning controls, and do not carry the community with them. Mr Eversden has been working with local residents' groups to address this.

Initiatives by the Mayor in the interests of walkers and cyclists have been generally welcomed, but the Forum is concerned that the Mayor does not always recognise that their interests sometimes conflict with each other and with those of buses. Quietways and mini-Hollands are not always welcome, and the particular problem of buses in Oxford Street has not yet been solved. The Forum has responded to several other consultations relating to bus services, for instance the Archway Gyratory.

Meetings have been held with Sadiq Khan's Deputy Mayors, Jules Pipe (Planning) and James Murray (Housing) to discuss the changing character of London and the impact of tall buildings on local communities, and to put forward ideas on how development should take place in London. Discussions were held with the chairs of Assembly committees and evidence has been supplied to their scrutinies.

Tall buildings of the wrong type in the wrong places were opposed and the Mayor has been asked to revisit the ones with permission. He has indicated that he will produce guidance on tall buildings. The Grenfell Tower fire emphasises the need to consider their construction and safety. However, the Mayor is proposing higher density of development near to transport nodes.

A realistic approach to affordable homes was requested from the GLA; provision of homes that people can afford to rent is currently insufficient. The proposal by

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Sadiq Khan for a percentage of all homes to be for rent related to the London Living Wage was welcomed. So too were his policies for a minimum of 35% affordable homes, rising to 50% and his recruitment of a team of viability experts to support boroughs in dealing with viability assessments by developers. It is however of concern that the Mayor seems to envisage concessions on density and space standards where a developer offers at least 35% affordable housing.

The problems of homes being divided into micro-flats as unregulated HMOs (Houses in multiple occupation) is of concern and the Forum sought action by boroughs and scrutiny by the London Assembly.

Concern was also expressed at the amount of new home developments left empty on a Buy-to-Leave investment basis. The London Assembly undertook an inquiry into foreign ownership of property, which has reported recently.

### **Borough Councils**

The London Forum has sought to encourage Boroughs to have policies to control basement development and some small progress has been made. A useful court judgement established that basements need planning permission even if only beneath a building footprint because the construction is an engineering operation. There was progress also in boroughs' use of Article 4 directions to stop closure of useful local facilities such as launderettes and pubs. Controls on proliferation of advertising in the public realm have been sought.

### **Consultations**

Responses were given to many consultations by the Government and the Mayor, and the London Forum has submitted evidence as appropriate to Parliamentary Select Committees and to scrutinies by committees of the London Assembly.

As well as those mentioned elsewhere in this report the Forum made submissions on air quality, the airports National Policy Statement and Heathrow expansion (the Forum continues to oppose the expansion of Heathrow), ultra-low emissions zones, the height of buildings, starter homes, and waiting and loading restrictions; the Expert Groups' proposals for Local Plans; and changes to the NPPF; Neighbourhood Planning; estate regeneration; borough basement policies; pedestrianisation of Oxford Street; biodiversity in new housing developments; night bus services to complement the Night Tube; the Government's Houses in Multiple Occupation and residential property licensing reforms; the London Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) and the London Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) (the processes for identifying land available for development and for calculating the homes that are required by the GLA and boroughs); Crossrail 2; High Speed 2; Central London bus routes; the use of planning conditions;

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managing limited road space; waiting and loading restrictions; the Mayor's Affordable Housing SPG; extension of the Bakerloo Line; redevelopment of Euston station and a DEFRA consultation on litter.

The Forum also made responses to the City of Westminster on tall buildings, permitted development of launderettes and industrial buildings, the Paddington Pole and its replacement the Cube. These can be found in the 'What we've said' page of the LF web site.

### Transport

Andrew Bosi and others have monitored developments on rail transport, including the underground. Electrification of the overground from Gospel Oak is not being handled as well as it should be. The Forum has sought the best route for the Bakerloo line extension, and the result of the consultation has been satisfactory. Piccadilly Line refurbishment has slipped again in timescale.

The Forum and several of its members have sought action to reduce noise from the Underground, a lot of which was caused by the replacement of wooden sleepers under rails by concrete ones.

### Communications

The Forum has been seeking throughout the year to establish a membership database that will be easy to use both for Societies and for the Forum's officers; this is proving complex, and the work is ongoing.

The website is successful, and attracts a large number of hits; the Chairman also uses Twitter to communicate with members and get the Forum and its work more widely known. Borough planning officers are copied with a lot of the Forum's comments.

The News/Updates page of the web site keeps members informed of consultations, new policies and other matters of which they need to be aware and which could affect their work with their borough. Members were 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. The London Forum's paid subscription to the Planning in London magazine allows its provision by email link, providing members with access to an essential source of information. Both Peter Eversden and Michael Bach have written articles for the magazine.

Newsforum appears three times a year (twice in print and once in electronic form only) with a wealth of informative articles which this year included the Evolution of London BIDs; Fifty Years of Conservation Areas in England by Forum Committee member Rosemarie MacQueen; and converting to a Charitable



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Incorporated Organisation by Tony Allen, London Forum's Treasurer and Chair of the Chislehurst Society. The Round the Societies section enables members to learn how other amenity groups are addressing the many issues of common concern, or of new local initiatives.

The Spotlight page focusing on the work of member societies is increasingly appreciated and the Editor greatly welcomes the fact that more societies are themselves coming forward to request a slot.

### London Forum collaboration with other bodies

The Forum has continued to keep and strengthen its links with a wide range of other organisations such as CPRE (London), New London Architecture, Urban Design London, the London Planning and Development Forum, Living Streets, the London Tenants Federation and Generation Rent, while recognising that our remits are different, and we may not always agree on priorities.

The Forum has become a paid up member of the National Planning Forum, thus keeping in touch with an extensive range of information and contacts throughout the country. This and organisations like the New London Sounding Board comprised of architects, developers, consultants and boroughs (of which Peter Eversden is a member), which discusses key issues for the capital and seeks appropriate action, ensures that the Forum is able to influence opinion formers.

The meetings of the regional representatives of the Civic Voice have been hosted by London Forum and the Forum continues to work closely with Civic Voice and to identify and pursue common issues.

The London Society is now led by Peter Murray, and Michael Coupe of the Forum is on its new board. There is collaboration on events that each organisation arranges.

The proliferation of tall buildings, seemingly with little concern for their context, has long worried the Forum, and we have found the London Skyline campaign a valuable ally.

Work has been done with HTA Design LLP and the President of the RIBA, Ben Derbyshire, on 'Superbia', a methodology for ways of achieving better use of land in outer London.

London Councils has been supported in its call for more powers and financial devolution to London and its boroughs that would enable them to build more affordable homes. The recommendations for that by London Forum's Patron, Tony Travers of the LSE, in the Finance Commission's recommendations to Government have been largely ignored.

Protection of heritage, especially the many listed and locally listed buildings in London, is of concern to the Forum, and we have established good links with the Heritage Alliance and with Historic England; Michael Hammerson and Michael Coupe take the lead in these matters together with Rosemarie MacQueen, an HE Commissioner.

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London Forum has been invited to be a participant in a new Thames and Waterways Forum of the GLA.

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.

### Open meetings

The Forum continues to hold open meetings to which member societies are invited and other interested people may attend. These are made as topical as possible, and sometimes therefore only short notice of them can be given. Reports of open meetings are usually to be found in News forum.

#### 2016

In June 2016 an open meeting heard from Nigel Barker, Historic England's Planning Director, London, and Sarah Gibson, from the listing team, discussing their work to preserve historic buildings;

In September the subject was Town Centres and High Streets with Gerard Burgess, from the Greater London Authority's Planning Group, and Professor Mark Brearley, from Cass University

The AGM on November 17 2016 focused on the work of member societies and how they can develop their organisation and engage younger people. Members from Bedford Park, Putney, Hammersmith and Chelsea Societies, and Peckham Vision gave interesting presentations of their activities.

Also in November John Lett, Strategic Planning Manager, London Plan Team at the GLA, gave a presentation on the progress towards the next London Plan

#### 2017

In March 2017 50 years of conservation areas was celebrated with Emily Gee, London Planning Director, Historic England, together with a team of colleagues from HE; Christine Cowdray, St John's Wood Society and Professor Barry Redding from the Chislehurst Society.

Also in March members heard from Lucinda Turner of Transport for London, and Jeremy Leach of Living Streets about the Mayor's upcoming Transport Strategy

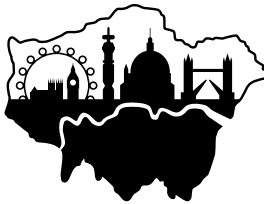
In May Michael Bach led a discussion on the proliferation of advertising panels which block the pavement, especially those on the back of telephone "kiosks" and on new bus shelters.

## Membership

Members were notified on various subjects - Historic England's guidance on Local Heritage Listing; the new Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) for charities; reviewing the development of their societies and succession planning; the implications of a third Heathrow runway and publications by the GLA and Government that could affect local working with their Council and the way planning decisions are made. The Forum continues to receive appreciative feedback from members and much valued support in consultation responses all of which demonstrates the vital role that the Forum plays. Members are active in responding to government and local consultations on their own account and these initiatives complement and re-inforce the Forum's efforts.

## 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 2017***

Gross income for the year was £3,254. Subscription income (£2,981) remains the largest element of the Forum's income, but this is disappointingly lower than last year, with 9 Societies yet to pay their subscriptions this year. The online membership renewal system generally works well, although a number of issues arose during the year, which were resolved by Mike Roden, our IT advisor. Sadly Mike has retired from this role, and we will be recruiting a new advisor to maintain our systems. We are grateful to the six Societies who made voluntary donations totaling £216 to the Forum this year.

Bank interest remained low throughout the year, so that the real value of our reserves continues to fall.

Expenses for the year were £2,016. The costs of producing NewsForum continue to fall as more editions are circulated by email.

The net financial outcome for the year was a surplus of £1,238.

The balance sheet of the London Forum at 30 June 2017 show total net assets of £30,455, almost wholly represented by cash and deposits.

### **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. We continue to maintain appropriate public liability and other insurance cover.

### **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

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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  
5 September 2017



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### The London Forum of Amenity and Civic Societies

#### Statement of financial activities for the year ended 30 June 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
<b>Incoming resources</b>			
<i><b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b></i>			
Subscription income		2,981	3,454
Donations		216	270
Investment income – deposit interest		57	78
		3,254	3,802
<b>Resources expended</b>			
<i><b>Cost of charitable activities</b></i>			
Newsletters		1,051	1,348
Public meetings & events		0	500
Support costs		965	1,260
		2,016	3,108
Total resources expended	2	2,016	3,108
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year</b>		1,238	694
General fund at beginning of year		29,217	28,523
General fund at end of year		30,455	29,217

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#### Balance Sheet at 30 June 2017

		<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	Note		
<b>Fixed assets-tangible assets</b>	4	0	0
<b>Current assets</b>			
Investments – bank deposits		23,199	23,582
Cash at bank and in hand		7,298	5,647
		<hr/> 30,497	<hr/> 29,229
<b>Current liabilities: amounts falling due within 1 year</b>			
Creditors & accruals		<hr/> 42	<hr/> 12
<b>Net current assets</b>		30,455	29,217
Total assets less current liabilities		<hr/> 30,455	<hr/> 29,217
<b>Funds</b>			
General fund	5	<hr/> 30,455	<hr/> 29,217

Approved by the trustees on 5 September 2017  
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 2017

#### 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**

	<b>£</b>
<i>Cost of office equipment</i>	
At 1 July 2016	1,276
Additions	-
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At 30 June 2017	1,276
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<i>Depreciation of office equipment</i>	
At 1 July 2016	1,276
Charge for the year	-
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At 30 June 2017	1,276
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<i>Net book value</i>	
At 30 June 2017	0
At 1 July 2016	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:

	<b>Designated £</b>	<b>Undesignated £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
Balance brought forward at 1 July 2016	5,573	23,644	29,217
Net incoming resources for the year	0	1,238	1,238
Transfers	(439)	439	-
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Balance carried forward at 30 June 2017	<u>5,134</u>	<u>25,321</u>	<u>30,455</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,  
Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Bankers  
68 Elfort Road  
London N5 1AZ

### **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 2017.

#### ***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,  
11 August 2017

## 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 2016-17**

#### **Trustees**

Peter Eversden <i>Bedford Park Society</i> Chairman	020 8747 3281	Diane Burridge <i>Highbury Community Association</i>	020 7226 0650
Derek Chandler <i>Hampstead Garden Suburb RA</i> Honorary Secretary	020 8455 3822	Helen Marcus Editor Newsforum	020 8450 8864
Michael Bach <i>Kensington Society</i> Chair Planning & Transport Committee	020 7937 3825	Peter Pickering <i>Finchley Society</i> Minutes Secretary	020 8445 2807
Tony Allen <i>Chislehurst Society</i> Honorary Treasurer	020 8467 2748	Michael Hammerson <i>Highgate Society</i>	020 8341 1437
Bill Linskey <i>Brixton Society</i> Membership Secretary	020 7274 3835		

#### **Co-opted**

Marion Harvey	01873 890 321
Bill Tyler	020 8883 2006

### **PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE**

Michael Bach (Chair)	Verina Glaessner
Dick Allard	Michael Hammerson
Andrew Bosi	Rosemarie MacQueen
Derek Chandler	Daniel Instone
Michael Coupe	David Lewis
Peter Eversden	Peter Pickering

## LONDON FORUM MEMBERS

Amwell Society  
Angel Association

Balham Society  
Barnet Society  
Battersea Society  
Beckenham Civic Society  
Bedford Park Society  
Belgravia Residents Association  
Bermondsey Street Area  
Partnership  
Bexley Civic Society  
Blackheath Society  
Brixton Society  
Bromley Civic Society  
Brompton Association

Camden Civic Society  
Carshalton Society  
C.A.S.C.H. (Crouch End)  
Charlton Society  
Chelsea Society  
Chislehurst Society  
City Heritage Society  
Clapham Society  
Covent Garden Community  
Association  
Covent Garden Trust  
Culverley Green Residents  
Association

Dulwich Society  
Duncan Terrace Association

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

Forest Hill Society  
Friends of Battersea Park  
Friends of Clapham Common  
Friends of Greenwich Park  
Friends of Jubilee Gardens  
Friends of St George's Gardens  
Fulham Society

Gidea Park and District Civic Society  
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  
Ladywell Society  
Lambethan's Society  
Lee Manor Society  
London Society

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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  
North Hayes Resident Association  
Norwood Society  
Notting Hill East Neighbourhood  
Forum  
Old Chiswick Protection Society  
Paddington R.A.C.T.  
Paddington Waterways and  
Maida Vale Society  
Peckham Vision  
Penge Forum  
Pinner Association  
Putney Society  
Richmond Hill Terrace Residents  
Association  
Richmond Society  
Royal Greenwich Heritage Trust  
Seven Dials Trust  
Soho Society  
South East Bayswater Residents  
Association  
Southgate District Civic Trust  
St John's Wood Society  
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 Society  
Tewkesbury Lodge Estate  
Residents Association  
Thorney Island Society  
Thurloe Residents Association  
Tottenham Civic Society  
Twickenham Society  
Vauxhall Society  
Victoria Drive Conservation Area  
Residents Association  
Waltham Forest Civic Society  
Wandsworth Society  
West Hampstead Amenity and  
Transport Group  
West Chiswick and Gunnersbury  
Society  
Westcombe Society  
Westminster Society  
Wimbledon Society  
Woolwich & District Antiquarian  
Society  
York House Society

## LONDON FORUM ASSOCIATES

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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 100 local societies with a combined membership of tens of thousands of Londoners, plus many 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.

#### **Supports . . . .**

. . . . local community and civic societies, and channels their views and concerns to local and national government, and other relevant bodies.

#### **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
  - protection of parks, open spaces, sports fields and Green Belt
  - regeneration of local shops and town centres
  - good urban design
  - protecting London's Heritage and Conservation Areas
  - improving and developing local amenities
  - proliferation of licensed premises - the 24 hour society
  - graffiti, litter and vandalism
  - lack of resources and cuts in borough front-line services
  - widely varying 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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