

Somali Community Development Trust invites local residents, businesses and councillors to participate at our monthly local residents working group. Any issues of concern to the local community, especially regarding to the Community Centre at 23-24 Cheriton Queens Crescent, will be discussed.

The first meeting will be held at Queens Crescent Community Centre on Wednesday 6th April at 6.00pm and will last for one hour.

All are welcome

Somali Community Development Trust Cheriton Community Working Group Tuesday 24 May 2016 (6.00-7.00 pm) Queen's Crescent Community Centre

Present:

Hamid Amini Local business owner

Abdirahman Barkhadle SCDT trustee and Centre Manager

Mohamed Dirshe Community Leader
Mohamoud Hassan SCDT director/note taker
Cllr Alison Kelly Ward councillor/Chair

Cllr Abdul Quadir Ward councillor
Cllr Abi Wood Ward councillor
Omar Karshe Centre user

Deqa Diriye Local resident/Community activist

Mr Cunningham Local resident Local resident

Abdiaziz Mohamed Local business owner

Bile Abdile Centre user
Mulki Mire Centre user
Haweyo Yusuf Centre user

Apologies

Mohamoud Gure SCDT Chair

1. Welcome and introduction by Councillor Kelly

The Chair welcomed the participants and asked everyone to introduce themselves. She was pleased by the much better attendance for the meeting included more women and also seeing Mr and Mrs Cunningham; residents of the Cheriton building for the first time.

The minutes of the last meeting were checked for accuracy and all agreed it was a right and correct record.

2. Purpose of the Community Working Group and feedback from participants

The chair explained the difference between Somali Community Development Trust and the mosque. She said the trust runs the community centre and in the community centre it is used for prayer facilities. The mosque is not separate but it is one of the uses. It is a community centre sometimes used as a mosque. Residents were confused and upset by people coming to the centre when the mosque supposed to be closed. It was explained that people are coming to the community centre for services other than prayer. Everyone would like to have a separate mosque but that is the way Camden mosques operate - underneath residential flats. It is the norm and not unique to this one.

Cllr Abdul added that there are 17 or 18 mosques in Camden none of them he would call them mosque. They are prayer facilities. He went on to explain that the proper

mosque is like the one in Regents Park. For the Muslim community in Camden he added to have a proper mosque they have to come up with a huge amount of money

The chair said for the community group to use the place as prayer they applied a separate licence and they have a temporary licence for a year. She added the community group has to show it has obeyed the rules of the licence otherwise the licence will be taken away. This meeting is to hear from the residents that the community group has obeyed the licence. She said it was really good to see some residents attended the meeting and to hear from them. She mentioned that she had not heard any complaints and would be good if people came even though they did not have any complaints.

Mr Cunningham said they just wanted to come to show their interest and solidarity and that they were OK with the situation.

The chair acknowledged the good work that the centre had done in terms of distributing invitation letters to the residents and putting up notices.

Mr Hassan explained the logistics and resources spent to put invitation letter, agenda and minutes of the last meeting to every door in Chariton Building.

Mrs Cunningham said she received the invitation letter twice for this meeting.Mr Hassan emphasised huge cost involved for this kind of work given the status of the Somali Community Development Trust as unfunded organisation. All the costs were donated by centre users. He suggested if in the future all correspondences will be conducted by email, except the notice for each meeting.

Mr and Mrs Cunningham had complaints about noise outside the centre. They say last Saturday 21 May, there were some noise coming outside of their window. The cause they say was children playing outside.

The centre manager Mr. Abdirahman Barkhadle said children from the centre are not allowed to play outside of the centre. Parents drop their kids and while they are in the care of the centre they are not allowed to go outside or play it. He promised he will investigate the incident by checking the CCTV pictures to make sure who are those culprits. He will report back to the working group.

3. Membership of the Community Working Group

The chair explained that the membership of the Community Working Group was open for everybody and there were no constraints.

4. Notes of previous meeting and matters arising

Previous Action taken:

1.	All activities and opening times to be displayed	•
	outside the centre for residents to see	put up on the door

2.	Send the draft minutes to the Cllrs	Done,
3.	Agree minutes with Cllrs and centre	Done
4.	Circulate the minutes to local residents	Done
5.	Arrange and hold a meeting only with local people to discuss the minutes and the next steps	Did not happen - residents didn't see the need
6.	Agree the date of next meeting and agenda with local people and with the centre	Done, the meeting took place on 24/05/2016
7.	Send minutes to all local residents, with information on the venue and the agenda for the next CWG meeting two weeks before the meeting	Done, some residents got twice
8.	Consider the number of people from the centre and the balance of women and men to invite to the meeting from the centre	Done, four women and two residents from the Cheriton attended
9.	Review and update the management plan	Done, some copies were present at the meeting

The chair explained that the residents had the opportunity to meet with her but they didn't see the need at the moment.

The chair suggested if the next meeting could be held in the community centre rather than the current place. All agreed to have the next Community Working Group meeting to take place in the centre.

She congratulated Mr Barkhadle, the centre manager, for taking difficult decisions and making changes. She said she contacted residents by phone or by email and no one was coming back with complaints and no one was also coming here to complain.

The participants discussed the next meeting should be held in six weeks due to the month of Ramadan starting early in June at the mosque.

Agreed Action Points:

1.	Poster with the all contacts of the councillors will be sent to the address when Cllr Kelly receives proper centre address. The centre manager will display it on the notice board.	Clir Kelly/ Centre Manager
2.	The next Community Working Group meeting to take place in the community centre	Centre Manager
3.	Send only the poster for the next meeting to the residents and it should have information on how to get the minutes and agenda by email. Also it should have the contact details for Mr Mohamed Dirshe the community liaison person for the centre	Centre Manager

	so people without IT can pick up a hard copy.	
4.	Make posters and timetable more permanent by laminating them and putting them up straight!	Centre Manager
5	Checking the CCTV system for children who caused the noise that Mr and Mrs Cunningham had complained about it.	Centre Manager

5. A.O. B

There was no other business.

6. Date of next meeting

Date of next meeting will be Thursday 14 July 2016 at Cheriton Centre.

7. Closing - The meeting ended at 7.00 p.m.



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Cheriton Community Working Group

Thursday 14 July 2016

Cheriton Centre

23-24 the Cheriton, Queens Crescent NW5 4EZ

7.00-8.00 pm

Agenda

- 1) Welcome and introductions
- 2) Notes of previous meeting (24th May 2016) and matters arising
- 3) Updates and feedback from participants
- 4) A.O.B
- 5) Date of next meeting
- 6) Closing the meeting



Dear Neighbour,

You are cordially invited to the next meeting of our regular Cheriton community working group. Come and tell us about any issues, especially about how the Community Centre is operating. Your attendance will be appreciated enormously.

The next meeting is at the 23-24 Cheriton, Queen's Crescent NW5 4EZ on Thursday 14 July at 7.00pm for about one hour.

Thanks for your attendance.

If you would like to have the minutes of the last meeting please email to Mr Hassan on somalicdtrust@gmail.com

For any comment or complaints please contact Mr Dirshe on 07534208094.

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Reminder

Dear Neighbour,

This is just to remind you that our Cheriton Community Working Group meeting tomorrow Thursday <u>14 July at 7.00pm</u> at the 23-24 Cheriton, Queen's Crescent NW5 4EZ.

There will be refreshments



Thanks for your attendance. SCDT



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Cheriton Community Working Group Wednesday 28 Sept 2016

Queen's Crescent Community Centre

23-24 Cheriton Crescent NW5 4QE

6.00-8.00 pm

Agenda

- 1) Welcome and introductions
- 2) Notes of previous meeting (24 May 2016) and matters arising
- 3) Updates and feedback from participants
- 4) Discussion on permanent Planning permission application for the centre
- 5) A.O.B
- 6) Date of next meeting



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28 September at 6.00pm for about one hour.

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Wednesday 07 December 2016

The Cheriton Centre

23-24 The Cheriton, Queen's Crescent NW5 4QE

6.30-7.30 pm

Agenda

- 1) Welcome and introductions
- 2) Notes of previous meeting (2 Sept 2016) and matters arising
- 3) Updates and feedback from participants
- 4) Update on the Planning permission application for the centre
- 5) A.O.B
- 6) Date of next meeting



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