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Group

Minutes of the meeting on Friday 14th June 2013
Held at: 90 Main Yard, 90 Wallis Road, E9 5LN

"Helping to establish a permanent, sustainable, creative community in Hackney Wick."

In attendance:

Rebecca Feiner (Mother Studios)
Will Teasdale (LB Hackney)
Reuben Jacobs (Onit Design)
Josephine Chime (Artist)
Sophie Nathan (Glass Factory)
James Marr (Bamboo Bicycle Club)
Anthony Palmer
Jazz Dayal (90 Main Yard)
Claire Kelly (Hackney Playbus)
Adriana Marques (LLDC)
Lauren Harford (Floating Cinema)
Daren Ellis (Wick Newspaper)
Andreas Lang (Public Works)
William Chamberlain (Chair, resident)
Cristina Stan (Secretary, youth worker)
Hadrian Garrard (Create London)
Anna Maloney (Hackney Wicked Art Festival)
Simon Griggs (Glass Factory)
Leon Wright (The Colourworks)
Hannah Lambert (LLDC)
Sebastian Hain Walker (Cluster Bomb Collective)
Alicia Radage (Cluster Bomb Collective)
Nancy Stevenson (Westminster University)
Alexie Sommer (Thomas Matthews Design Agency)
Paddy Looney (Resident, Cadplan)

Items discussed:

The minutes of March's meeting were read out and updates given:

Wallis Rd. Bridge:

Hannah Lambert confirmed that most probably Wallis Rd. Bridge would be open in early autumn.

Agenda:

1. Legacy List - Route dressing

Hannah Lambert and Alexis Summer

LLDC is planning a route dressing before the first summer activities in and around the Olympic Park. The routes will be: 1. Leyton area into the Park; and 2. Hackney Wick Station area.

The route dressing is based on physical signage (signs, posters, prints) on the route to Olympic Park summer events. This dressing project will not take place online. The objective is to capture some of the projects that are taking place in the area around the Park and take people off the beaten track to discover them.

Commissions are available for a local wordsmith.

2. Up Projects – Floating Cinema

Laura made an introduction about the Floating cinema.

They converted a narrow boat into a bespoke cinema that is travelling around East London for free series of events.

The Legacy List commissioned a brand new boat that will be back on the waterways in July. At the moment, the boat is based at Queen Mary University (Mile End).

A 10 weeks summer program will be launched at the White Building for July – September period. An educational project is envisioned in the future, involving local schools.

3. Anaerobic Digester

Andreas Lang made the presentation.

An anaerobic digester turns organic food into biogas and fertilizer. In India and China farmers use them to generate their own electricity are using them.

The project is backed up by Adrianna Marques from LLDC. At the moment they are looking for a space to install the digester, to hold seminars and workshops and to start a tool library.

An event is planned for 30th June, which aims to bring together people working/interested in anaerobic digesters.

4. Open East Festival (27th – 28th July 2013)

Hadrian Garrard made the presentation.

Open East Festival is a 2 days festival in the North Park, which will mark the weekend before the Park opens. The festival dates are 27th – 28th July. This is a ticketed event (£9.50 for adults).

The event is a celebration of music, food and children's and family activities. It is planned that 30.000 people will be coming every day in the Park.

7000 free tickets are being given away to young people, old people and hard to reach individuals that normally do not attend these kind of events. To access these individuals they are working in close collaboration with the Council; the Council is speaking to all the resident's representative bodies in the area.

One of the partners involved is The Barbican Centre – bringing international music activities. House of Fairytales is in charge of children and family activities.

They tried to work with local organizations and individual from East London (not only from Hackney Wick). If anyone wants to get involved they can contact Lindsay@createlondon.org.

Also Stour Space will be involved. They are also planning on getting The Yard and Cre8 on board.

Depending on TFL decision, there might be 2-3 small evening events based on small budgets. If that will be the case, they are planning to contact local venues/organizations for further planning.

5. Cluster Bomb Collective

Alicia Radlage and Sebastian Walker made the presentation.

The project plans to rewrite the book with help from people that live in that area. Planned activities are: setting-up a reading group and have meetings in the local area. The location of this project is East Cross Route.

6. Glass Factory

Simon and Sophie made the presentation.

The Glass Factory is a space divided into 8 artist studios and one bigger space (events space). The events space can be used for meetings, product launches, community events, gallery, etc. There is a possibility to use the yard as well and create partnership with the neighbors.

This will be the Hackney Wicked Festival HQ on 16th – 18th August.

Contact: info@glassfactorye9.com

7. Bamboo Bicycle Club

James Marr made the presentation.

The Bamboo Bicycle Club is a UK-based project that provides people with the knowledge and tools to make their own bikes as well creating a hub for those embarking on their own frame building adventures.

The Club principally organizes 2-day weekend bamboo bicycle building courses that are open to anyone willing to get involved and learn more about building frames from natural materials. It will allow participants to create a unique custom frame design for their geometry.

Contact: www.bamboobicycleclub.org .

8. 98B Main Yard / Grow

Reuben Jacobs made the presentation.

They have built a decked area by the canal. At the moment there are many ideas on how to use the space. There are ideas to use the space for bar/coffee place, as well as self-built workshops.

Suggestions and partnership ideas are welcomed. Reuben will present again at a later CIG meeting when plans have progressed.

9. Hackney Wick Playbus

Claire Kelly made the presentation.

The Playbus was set up as a drop-in outreach service for people in the area that need it the most.

There is also a social enterprise associated with the service.

There is an opportunity for CRB checked artists to get involved.

10. Open House 2013

William Chamberlain introduced the **Open House event – 21st – 22nd September.**

The Open House is facilitating an open studios/open doors event in September and they are printing a guide to go with the event. All the entries are responsible for their own events; the Open House only provides the listings in their guide.

Some of the Hackney Wick and Fish Island businesses that agreed to have an entry in the guide are: Mother Studios, The Yard, Stour Space, Arbeit, Schwartz Gallery, Crate Brewery, Front Side Gardens, The Colourworks, 90 Main Yard, See Studios.

Next meeting: 9.30am Friday 12th July 2013 in Hackney Wick, at the White Building.