

# Assembly 2 - Maryland, Manor Park, Forest Gate & Little Ilford

Date: Wednesday 13th November 2019, 1830-2030

At: Stratford Town Hall

Presenters: AOC

Area Designers: Office S&M

Number of resident tables:

- One for Maryland
- One for Manor Park
- Two for Forest Gate
- One for Little Ilford (plus additional resident feedback at Jack Cornwell drop in sessions)

Where possible, projects will be delivered on the sites that have been prioritised by the community, these have been coloured **green**. However final site selection is subject to site viability checks and gaining relevant permissions.

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## Forest Gate's Site Priorities:

| Ref  | Name                     | Table 1 | Table 2 | Priority No. |
|------|--------------------------|---------|---------|--------------|
| 2.22 | Minhaj-UI-Quran Masjid   | 3       | 1       | 1            |
| 2.01 | Forest Gate Youth Centre | 4       | 2       | 2            |
| 2.24 | Emmanuel Parish Church   | 2       | 4       | 3            |
| 2.18 | Mansons Terrace          | 1       | 5       | 4            |
| 2.17 | Davidson Terrace Alley   | 5       | 3       | 5            |

Summary Comment: The bottom of the high street was identified as the less appealing in comparison to the top end, and is associated with much of the anti-social behaviour in Forest Gate such as street drinking and drug-taking. Some of this is due to there being a lot of halfway homes in the area and there not being much to occupy tenants. Access to estate housing off the high street, between Whitehall Place and Stracey Road, has been reduced and closed off which puts emphasis on the Forest Gate Zone as one of the few entrances from the high street to this area. Residents feel this makes it a high priority area. Concrete bleak wall alongside the railway as a future site and disagreement with Lidl supermarket behind hoarding also raised.



## Manor Park's Priority Sites

| Ref  | Site                    | Table 1 |  | Priority No. |
|------|-------------------------|---------|--|--------------|
| 3.17 | Greenhill Grove Carpark | 1       |  | 1            |
| 3.05 | Manor Park Library      | 2       |  | 2            |
| 3.15 | Manor Park Gateway      | 3       |  | 3            |
| 3.42 | Shri Mahalakshmi Temple | 4       |  | 4            |
| 3.32 | Manor Park Noticeboard  | 5       |  | 5            |

Summary Comment: General concerns regarding the poor state of high-street infrastructure and amenities such as lighting, CCTV, railings to the crossroads, and public toilets. Further comments touch on the overall cleanliness and impression of the area, which features a lot of rough sleeping, drinking and smoking, particularly on Carlton Road. ASB to park entrance at the top of high street near site 3.15. Residents raised issue towards allocation of funding, stating that it could be better spent elsewhere. In response, it was made clear that additional funding is available for other projects (bins, planting, etc.) and sites such as the Romford Road. There is also an upcoming council budget forum in January where concerns not addressed in this project, can be raised. Otherwise, it has been noticed that the station has seen a lot of investment and improvement.

## Little Ilford's Priority Sites

| Ref  | Site                  | Table 1 | Table 2 | Priority No. |
|------|-----------------------|---------|---------|--------------|
| 4.41 | Romford Road Crossing | 1       | 1       | 1            |
| 4.43 | Little Ilford Gateway | 2       | 2       | 2            |
| 4.33 | Roding Valley Walk    | 3       | 3       | 3            |
| 4.39 | Recycling Centre      | 4       | 4       | 4            |

Summary Comment: Concerns among residents of Little Ilford regarding the Romford Road area highlighted, mostly concern traffic and cars. It is an accident prone area, particularly where three lanes merge right before the crossing, and further down the road cars park in cycle lanes for some distance. Parking also blocks turning circles for lorries around the corner where Church Road meets Gainsborough Ave. Raised kerbs were suggested to combat this, but to brighten the high street, seating and flowers were proposed outside of the Nissan showroom.



## Maryland's Priority Sites

| <b>Ref</b> | <b>Site</b>      | <b>Table 1</b> |  | <b>Priority No.</b> |
|------------|------------------|----------------|--|---------------------|
| 1.08       | Henniker Point   | 1              |  | 1                   |
| 1.01       | Maryland Gateway | 2              |  | 2                   |
| 1.15       | Maryland Station | 3              |  | 3                   |
| 1.11       | Old Factory Wall | 4              |  | 4                   |



## Appendices – Photos and Summary Notes



## Summary Notes – specific ideas for sites

### Maryland Priority Site 1: Henniker Point

#### Ideas:

- Involve local schools and local people: there are 3 local primary schools nearby
- Community noticeboard?
- Ownership - along the theme of pride, taking care of our home and our street
- Linking up to bottom of high street

#### Current Issues and Concerns:

- Recycling point is currently a negative space - it blights the area and is depressing
- Lacking in green space and plants

### Little Ilford Priority Site 1: Romford Road Crossing

#### Ideas:

- Signage a better crossing - bright

#### Current Issues and Concerns:

- Bus stop issue - no sign
- Clean up park on Gainsborough Avenue: Drinking / drugs not fit for kids

### Manor Park Priority Site 1: Greenhill Grove Carpark

#### Ideas:

- Citizens assembly project £6k: the *Front Garden Project* is just one example of many local events that residents would like to try and coincide / integrate with this intervention, to make money stretch further
- Engaged youth park MUGA (multi-use game area)
- New seating
- Raised bedding?
- New hardscape
- Improved lighting

#### Current Issues and Concerns:

- Really bad ASB so any intervention to improve - one member of our group was attacked with acid
- Poor lighting “feel very vulnerable as a woman”



## Manor Park Priority Site 2: Manor Park Library

### Ideas:

- Prime location for an intervention: Good wide space, could be a market once a month
- Greener space - Raised bedding
- Celebrate religious holidays
- Continue improvement on Station Road
- Improve lighting
- Improved hardscaping and crossing - pot-holes and cracked pavements
- Try to celebrate this area
- Save the Earl of Essex pub

### Current Issues and Concerns:

- Make safer for families and children

## Forest Gate Priority Site 1: 2.22 Minhaj-UI-Quran Masjid

### Ideas:

- Involve Mosque at prayer time
- High traffic area so something to make people stop - lots of opportunities to use space for gathering
- Would make a big difference to the whole high street and draw people through
- Trees are enjoyed by the local community and are nice with lights on at Christmas, but trimming/lopping branches would lighten up this area
- Environmental bird and butterfly friendly gardens with verbena bonariensis (like outside King Edward VII pub in Stratford) and more winter hardy plants (oct-feb)
- Recycling bins
- Collecting water on the pavement

### Current Issues and Concerns:

- Safety and ASB issues
- Bins used as small bars / street drinking
- Low-hanging tree branches makes it dark
- Stop and prevent fly-tipping

## Forest Gate Priority Site 2: 2.01 Forest Gate Youth Centre

### Ideas:



- Ties in with Forest gate 2 priorities voted for in Assembly 1
- Youth opportunity
- High priority site - High traffic and high potential - lots of alleys behind this site, so important area to improve
- Young enterprise / Market Area - many examples of markets under arches in London
- Improved recycling environment could have an impact on how young people and residents deal with environmental ... - more recycling bins
- Make a relationship between space and local environment
- Already a good urban structure
- Would like lighting and seating to be added here

#### Current Issues and Concerns:

- Hard to visualise what is intended
- A relationship to the learning zone is missing
- Nobody likes the 'Newham London' signs / lose the sign "Thank you for visiting!" but we live here!
- Dark area > ASB
- Bins are horrible to see in front of entrance - what does this say to the users of this space when this is the first thing they see?



# Photos – ordered priorities

## Forest Gate Table 2

**ASSEMBLY 2 Sites**

*Handwritten notes: Spotted Dog, 25, 2024*

| Site No. | Site Name                | Priority | Notes   |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|---|
| 220      | Mehrab-ul-Quran Masjid   | 1        | The wide thoroughfare in front of the Masjid... Could this be a space for...?   |
| 201      | Forest Gate Youth Centre | 2        | This site could become much...<br>- Tennis courts<br>- Skate park<br>- Basketball court<br>- Badminton courts<br>- Table tennis<br>- Badminton courts<br>- Table tennis<br>- Badminton courts<br>- Table tennis |
| 217      | Davidson Terrace All     | 3        | This alleyway leads to the high street...<br>- Very popular for...<br>- Very popular for...<br>- Very popular for...<br>- Very popular for...   |
| 224      | Emmanuel Parish Church   | 4        | Currently, the Emmanuel Parish Church...<br>- Church hard to...<br>- Church hard to...<br>- Church hard to...<br>- Church hard to...  |
| 218      | Mansions Chemist         | 5        | This large back-land and junction in front...<br>- Boundary across is...<br>- Boundary across is...<br>- Boundary across is...  |

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## Manor Park Table 1

**ASSEMBLY 2 Sites**

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**CYCLE HOOPS!**

*Handwritten notes: more assembly, cleaning*

| Site No. | Site Name                | Priority | Notes   |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|---|
| 317      | Greenwich Leisure Centre | 1        | This site could become much...<br>- Tennis courts<br>- Skate park<br>- Basketball court<br>- Badminton courts<br>- Table tennis<br>- Badminton courts<br>- Table tennis<br>- Badminton courts<br>- Table tennis |
| 318      | Manor Park Library       | 2        | The wide thoroughfare in front of the Masjid...<br>- Could this be a space for...?<br>- Could this be a space for...?<br>- Could this be a space for...?  |
| 319      | Manor Park Gateway       | 3        | This alleyway leads to the high street...<br>- Very popular for...<br>- Very popular for...<br>- Very popular for...<br>- Very popular for...   |
| 342      | Sri Mahalakshmi Temple   | 4        | Currently, the Emmanuel Parish Church...<br>- Church hard to...<br>- Church hard to...<br>- Church hard to...   |
| 352      | Manor Park Noticeboard   | 5        | This large back-land and junction in front...<br>- Boundary across is...<br>- Boundary across is...<br>- Boundary across is...  |





Little Ilford Table 1

| ASSEMBLY 2 4.41 Romford Road Crossing   | ASSEMBLY 2 4.43 Little Ilford Gateway   | ASSEMBLY 2 4.33 Roding Valley Walk  | ASSEMBLY 2 4.39 Recycling Centre   |
|---|---|---|--|
| <p><i>signs that say 'Romford' - yes please!</i></p> <p>DESCRIPTION: The pedestrian crossing on the road is unmarked, and pedestrians are often ignored by drivers. Could there be a colourful crossing to assist pedestrians?</p> <p>QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SITE:<br/>What is important?<br/>What is missing?<br/>What would you add?</p> <p>PRIORITY NO: 1 of 4<br/>Table marks: LS</p> <p><i>signs a little cross bright.</i></p> | <p>DESCRIPTION: There is damaged street furniture along the road, yet this is meant to welcome visitors to the borough. Could a new concrete sign and furniture be proposed?</p> <p>QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SITE:<br/>What is important?<br/>What is missing?<br/>What would you add?</p> <p>PRIORITY NO: 2 of 4<br/>Table marks: LS</p> <p><i>Yes please! aw!!</i><br/><i>Make a special table sign with bright colours!</i></p> | <p>DESCRIPTION: This garden is the entrance to the route of the Roding Valley Walk. Could this area outside of the Community Club be improved?</p> <p>QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SITE:<br/>What is important?<br/>What is missing?<br/>What would you add?</p> <p>PRIORITY NO: 3 of 4<br/>Table marks: LS</p> <p><i>Pick up tables to link to other sites.</i></p> | <p>DESCRIPTION: Fly tipping is a real issue in residential areas behind the high street. Could the recycling centre on the high street become more accessible in order to tackle this?</p> <p>QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SITE:<br/>What is important?<br/>What is missing?<br/>What would you add?</p> <p>PRIORITY NO: 4 of 4<br/>Table marks: LS</p> <p><i>It's clean now, but it's not a good idea. Doesn't need improving.</i></p> |

Maryland Table 1

ASSEMBLY 2

*Wayfinding for bus users - hard to find places or for M40 - Fear of crime*

| ASSEMBLY 2 1.00 Henniker Point   | ASSEMBLY 2 1.01 Maryland Gateway  | ASSEMBLY 2 1.10 Maryland Station  | ASSEMBLY 2 1.11 Old Factory Wall  |
|--|---|---|---|
| <p>DESCRIPTION: The recycling centre on the canal, and the car park behind, could have a much better impact on the street. Could a mural commissioning in the local area encourage recycling in the local area please?</p> <p>QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SITE:<br/>What is important?<br/>What is missing?<br/>What would you add?</p> <p>PRIORITY NO: 1 of 4<br/>Table marks: LS</p> <p><i>Recycling point - currently positive space which is a local network and plant</i></p> | <p>DESCRIPTION: The approach to Waldham Forest is a key junction with a prominent car show sign. However, Maryland lacks a welcoming approach to the station. Could Maryland have more of a gateway?</p> <p>QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SITE:<br/>What is important?<br/>What is missing?<br/>What would you add?</p> <p>PRIORITY NO: 2 of 4<br/>Table marks: LS</p> <p><i>Benches on lamp posts - Visual uniformity</i><br/><i>Benches</i><br/><i>Electric</i><br/><i>ABOUT THE Nightlights</i><br/><i>site</i><br/><i>What is missing?</i><br/><i>Benches - these 'kiosk' to shade under</i><br/><i>Shading from bus stop - benches/benches</i><br/><i>Waldham Forest</i></p> | <p>DESCRIPTION: Floor heights make it difficult for residents and visitors to know where to go when entering Maryland Station. How could signs enhance the space around the entrance to the station?</p> <p>QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SITE:<br/>What is important?<br/>What is missing?<br/>What would you add?</p> <p>PRIORITY NO: 3 of 4<br/>Table marks: LS</p> <p><i>Like in already lots of places - a small project for the station - not a fear of crime</i><br/><i>Community involvement!</i></p> | <p>DESCRIPTION: This old factory wall, visible from the street, has great potential for an artist to provide a gateway piece of art. Could the history of Maryland be celebrated?</p> <p>QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SITE:<br/>What is important?<br/>What is missing?<br/>What would you add?</p> <p>PRIORITY NO: 4 of 4<br/>Table marks: LS</p> <p><i>on site already very pleasant - not necessary to change</i><br/><i>Location - intention to do for 2 original high streets</i></p> |

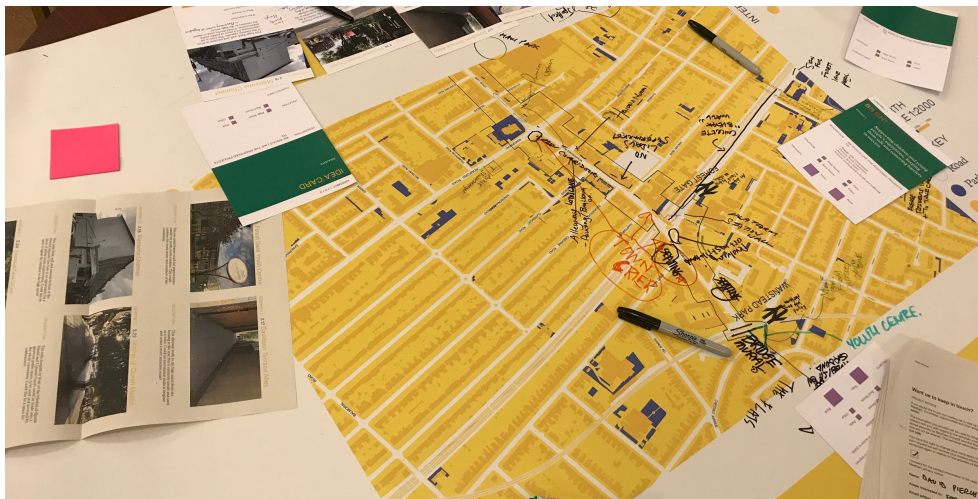


# Photos – tables and discussions

Forest Gate Table 1



Forest Gate Table 2



Forest Gate Table 2



Manor Park Table 1



Manor Park Table 1





Little Ilford Table 1 + 2



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Maryland Table 1



