

Meeting of the Interim Board of Governors Thursday, 8th March, 1800-1930 The Curve Community Centre, 10 Bard Road, W10 6TP

Attendees:

Fatima Elguenuni, NHS and mother of resident of Grenfell Tower (Chair) Revd Dr Michael Long, Notting Hill Methodist Church Callum Wilson, Head of Service – Assistance Centres

RBKC Curve Minute Taker

Apologies:

Abderrahman Elguerbouzi, Making Communities Work and Grow (MCWG)
Abdurahman Sayed, Al Manaar

Fatai ('Abdul') Towolawi, Healthwatch Central West London

1. Welcome and Introduction to Agenda

- 1.1 The IBoG agreed to approve the minutes of the previous meeting which took place on Thursday 22nd February. These are available online (https://grenfellsupport.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Minutes-of-the-Curve-Community-Centre-Interim-Board-of-Governors-220218.pdf)
- 1.2 Callum updated the IBoG on an incident that had occurred at The Curve the previous week and the impact this had on the staff team present and generally. Procedures had been followed and incident reports written up. As a result the management team have scheduled three focused planning meetings with the team to stop and reflect, and review the centre's vision
- 1.3 The IBoG acknowledged that there is a need to look after staff welfare to ensure they feel empowered and that at times, due to the range of activities held and the high number of people accessing the centre, up to 120 on occasion, that the atmosphere at times can be difficult to manage. When setting programmes and agreeing events, it was recognised that use of the space needs to be justified with clear outcomes and expectations of what is hoped to be achieved

2. Update on the Proposal for Recruitment at the Curve and permanent BoG Application Process

- 2.1 The IBoG discussed the advert for the recruitment of a permanent BoG and advertisement of the opportunity. Whilst acknowledging that staff are preoccupied and busy, and that the advert is available on the website, concern was raised around the fact that many organisations may not have visited the site and that the leaflet drop into the community to date has been very limited
- 2.2 The IBoG reviewed the 'Application and Communication Status' on page 15 of the meeting pack, to date there have been no applications received. It was agreed that there is pressing need to map out all organisations who may be interested and put a system in place to cross check who has received a hand delivered leaflet. Organisations receive lots of information and a personally delivered message should increase interest. It was made clear that all important stakeholders should be engaged with



- 2.3 The IBoG discussed a recent tweet discouraging people to apply, and acknowledged that recent weather conditions may have had an impact. It was also agreed that Grenfell Speaks is a good vehicle to raise awareness and get the message out
- 2.4 The IBoG discussed the possible need to extend the deadline for applications and a decision was taken to keep the existing submission deadline so as not to give out the wrong message. The IGoB reviewed the 'Interview and Appointment Process' on page 16 of the meeting pack and agreed that if need be that the interview dates can be pushed back. The IGoB also agreed that if final submission numbers are low that they may not be the need to shortlist
- 2.5 In relation to interview dates, Wednesday 28th March (AM and PM) and Thursday 29th March (PM) were provisionally agreed. The panel will consist of Fatima Elguenuni (NHS and mother of resident of Grenfell Tower (Chair); Revd Dr Michael Long (Notting Hill Methodist Church); and Callum Wilson (Head of Service Assistance Centres), this may be subject to change and other IBoG members will be invited to join
- 2.6 The IBoG asked the Curve Team to progress the following:
- The Curve Team to prioritise the need to campaign and raise awareness
- All groups and organisations identified on page 15 of the meeting pack to be hand delivered the leaflet, if not done already, and IGoB members to provide additional names of key organisations and businesses missing.
- Conversation would be had with Abderrahamen Elguerbouzi (IBoG member) to reschedule his Grenfell Speaks interview which was scheduled to take place w/c 26th February
- 3. Update on 10 recommendations to make the Curve more 'inviting, welcoming and professional'
- 3.1 Callum asked that it be minuted that there have been slow developments in this area, which will be addressed once the three planning sessions have been held and the current recruitment drive has concluded
- 3.2 The IBoG reviewed that 'Changes and The Curve and the Curve Centre Community Team' pages of the meeting pack (pages 12 and 13) and were happy with the layout, recommending that they be made onto a two page leaflet
- 4. Setting up a Residents' Forum and a Curve Mailing List
- 4.1 In relation to page 20 of the meeting pack, the IBOG agreed that it should be made clear that personal and organisational details provided will not be made available outside of the Curve. It was also agreed that the term 'residents' should be replaced with 'local communities'
- 5. A.O.B.
- 5.1 The next meeting will be held at the Curve on Thursday 22nd March at 6.00pm-7.30pm



The meeting closed at 1935