

## **King Georges Fields Trust 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

### **Appendix 2**

#### **Report back from first working group meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019.**

Present: Cllr Amina Ali, Cllr David Edgar, Cllr Denise Jones and Steve Murray Head of Arts Parks and Events.

Conversation was wide ranging with regard to scope of the working group and possible objectives.

There were also some specific questions from the group which will be followed up:

- What is the way in which LBTH decided the membership, etc of the board? Is it a decision of the full council? Is it done by amendments to the constitution? Could we have a copy of the decision that led to the current arrangements along with a copy of the section of the constitution that deals with it.
- Would also like a copy of the trust deed dated 9 November 1965 and the Deed of Variation dated 29 January 1997 referred to in the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017 which were filed with the Charity Commission please?
- Would like copy of maps of the areas covered by the King George's Field Mile End, the area in Stepney, the Tredegar Square area, and the area defined as Mile End Park.
- Clarification of the Charity's relationship with Fields in Trust

#### Suggestions

- There should be training sessions for Trustees on their role and responsibilities
- Meetings should take place in a venue within the park rather than the Town Hall and walkabouts should be arranged for Trustees in order to gain a better understanding of what the offer is in Mile End Park and Stepney Green.
- Would like to engage outside interested parties, such as Friends Group members, but needs more thought regards role and voting rights
- Reference membership of working group should consider Cabinet Members with relevant portfolios, up to two back benchers, and a representative from the Mile End Friends Group.

Members felt that there should be a more active involvement by Trustees in the KGFT land, it's management, activities and how it engages the public. This would help to highlight Mile End Park as uniquely different for other parks and ensure it is developed and maintained going forward that befits this special status.