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# Shape Newham Assembly Three - Maryland, Forest Gate, Manor Park, and Little Ilford

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019, 1830-2030 At Forest Gate Youth Zone

Presenters: AOC

Area Designers: Office S&M

Number of resident tables:

Two for Forest Gate/MarylandOne for Manor Park/Little Ilford

## Maryland's "which do you prefer" questions:

- 1) Astrain Studio Henniker Point
  - Q. A. Signage/mural or B. Planters/community garden/functional Outcome: B (with some A if possible): Community garden with colourful additions elsewhere in the site if possible

## Forest Gate's "which do you prefer" questions:

- 1) Trapped in Zone One Forest Gate Youth Zone
  - Q. A. Text based work Positive words as chosen by young people or B. Image based work Silhouette to go along side the text

    Outcome: Option A and B: Text and Image based work
- 2) Office S&M Romford Road
  - Q. A Seating or B a Podium

Outcome: Option B - Podium. Definitely not seating. The location requires a beacon. This should provide lighting, which illuminates the trees. A clock could tell prayer times.

### Manor Park's "which do you prefer" questions:

- 1) Small Change Manor Park Library
  - Q. Metalwork
  - A. Cut out shapes/imagery that might cast shadows,
  - Q. Hydrophobic paint shows up in the rain/cleaning of surfaces through stencils to create imagery.
  - A. Work that interacts with weather conditions, draws attention to the environment/pollution etc as well as providing imagery relevant to local community

Outcome: Option B: Weather, perhaps a combination of both ideas.

- 2) Anne Harild Greenhill Grove Car Park
  - Q. Lighting
- A. Open and dark area, lighting could improve a feeling of safety.
  - Q. Sculpture
    - A. Local resident's offered suggestions for visual and historical references e.g. previous church.

Outcome: Option A: Lighting with some sculptural elements/seating if possible.

## Little Ilford's "which do you prefer" questions:

- 1) Office S&M Romford Road Crossing
  - Q. 3D Gateway
  - a. Some kind of gateway is needed. These colours are great.
  - Q. 2D signage
  - a. Less keen on these colours, and the proposal being a sign.

Outcome: Option A: 3D Gateway

#### General notes on ideas generated

#### **Astrain Studio - Henniker Point**

#### Site specific

- Overall design in as much of site as possible with one or two areas of focus
- Bins, planters and front of ramp 1 and street as priority zone
- Continuation of arches and greenery existing on high street (see presentation photos) reinterpreted over bins?
- Community garden edible gardens (fruits)? schools to maintain? Get involved?
- Graphic/ signage bold, fun colourful take ownership and celebrate Maryland
- Celebrate recycling as an idea
- Consider the graphics/overall intervention from the tower, paint on floor too
- Avoid areas with nooks and crannies hiding views where antisocial behaviour could occur

#### Ideas

#### General

- community garden, edible garden?
- engage the community
- colourful + green
- not just 'something pretty' but with more purpose, planting
- recycling as an idea
- future proofing
- seen from tower
- one whole overall approach + an area with more emphasis

#### Material/Design

- Clay
- Concrete blocks maybe reused, recycled or waste from construction
- Tiles
- Casting
- Paint
- Recycled material
- Natural materials
- Plants ever green considered

#### **Local Resources**

- Local materials: clay, plaint, recycled materials?
- Involve the residents of Henniker Point (to ensure ownership)
- Involve the local schools: St Francis, Maryland Primary
- Llyod (Forest Gate resident) has contacts at St Francis School

#### **Trapped in Zone One - Forest Gate Youth Zone**

#### Site specific

Front wall space area of Forest Gate Youth Zone and entrance wall

#### Ideas

#### General

- Create a colourful mural on the front on Forest Gate Youth Zone incorporating the words chosen by young people from the centre
- Growth
- Family
- Empowerment
- Education
- Experience
- With a possible additional mural pending approval on the floor with the message 'Welcome to FGYZ'

#### Material/Design

- Graphical design of the words
- Material to curate the mural will be with spray paint

#### **Local Resources**

- We will look to local suppliers to provide us with the materials and working with young people to assist us on the project.

#### Office S&M - Romford Road

#### Site specific

- Retain the thoroughfare
- Celebrate the trees that are on site using uplighting
- Not too high, since this might impact on residents
- Address the refuse area, and on street bin bags

#### Ideas

#### General

- NOT seating
- A "beacon"
- Lighting
- A clock that tells prayer times
- A community noticeboard
- A compass
- A signpost
- An artificial tree

#### Material/Design

- Evergreen/bee friendly greenery near the railings
- Links to "forest" gate
- Water conscious design

- Links to the cows that used to roam the flats to the north
- Games for children

#### Local Resources

- A connection to Dr Fothergill a Historic character from the area Dr Fothergill planted an acorn on this corner in the 1780s - hence the previous nickname for Upton Lane of 'One Tree Lane'
  - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John Fothergill (physician)
- Community garden has just got a large grant from the GLA for a 'green corridors/tree-planting' project
- Atherton Leisure Centre could be a future site
- Women and children are scared of passing through this location
- ATM requires clear views and access
- Include young people in the design process

#### **Small Change - Manor Park Library**

Site specific

- Celebrates the

Ideas

General

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Material/Design

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**Local Resources** 

#### **Anne Harild - Greenhill Grove Car Park**

Site specific

- Improve lighting to help improve the safety of the site.
- Improve seating, remove existing broken seats.
- Change the feel of the site, important to have a big visual and physical impact.
- Remove recycling bins, they encourage anti social behaviour like fly tipping as suggested by residents.
- Keep the big beautiful tree. Talk to council about the roots making the pavement uneven.
- Directly respond to the physical fabric and history of the site and generally of the local area.
- Think about who uses the site very varied because of the bus stop.
- Go explore the site at night very different experience. Residents avoid the site at night because it doesn't feel safe.

#### Ideas

#### General

- Use natural light sculpturally. Colourful shadows.
- Overall unified sculptural approach to lighting and seating.
- Community very important to engage the local community in the development of the work.
- Use visual research of the local area as a starting point to create a series of references/building blocks that will be the starting point for the design.
- Rich cultural diversity of the local area. Could also be used as a reference point.

#### Material/Design

- Use solar power if possible.
- Long lasting materials
- Future proofed
- Casting
- Clay/tiles
- Recycle building site waste

#### **Local Resources**

- Local materials
- Natural materials, clay, tiles, building site waste.
- Local visual and historical references i.e. the previous church that burned down (big triangular roof). Earl of Essex, Jolly's, Al Kareem's, The Office Furniture shop.
- Use the local archives for research.
- Work with local residents from Greenhill Estate and The MUGA.
- Link up with Artweek (end of January)
- If possible coordinate with other local projects like Bling My Street and Bins and Seats (Liz and Sophie)

#### Office S&M - Romford Road Crossing

#### Site specific

- Air quality is very important
- Lighting is key
- Name the estate if it does not have a name

#### Ideas

#### General

- Option A 3D, and the right colours
- Create a gateway like there is at East Ham
- An eye

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- Benches or seating next to the crossing
- Colourful, since the area is so grey

- Pocket park
- Cycle safety, perhaps a cycle store
- Curvey
- NOT 2D or a sign. Not luminous colours.

#### Material/Design

- Paint that catches pollution
- Little "nudges" that make people perform in a more healthy way
- E.g. bins that make a noise as you throw something in
- Natural noises
- Classic railway lettering "LITTLE ILFORD"

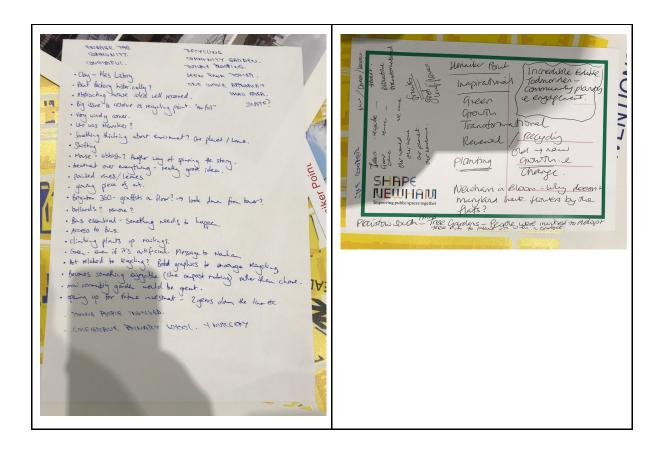
#### **Local Resources**

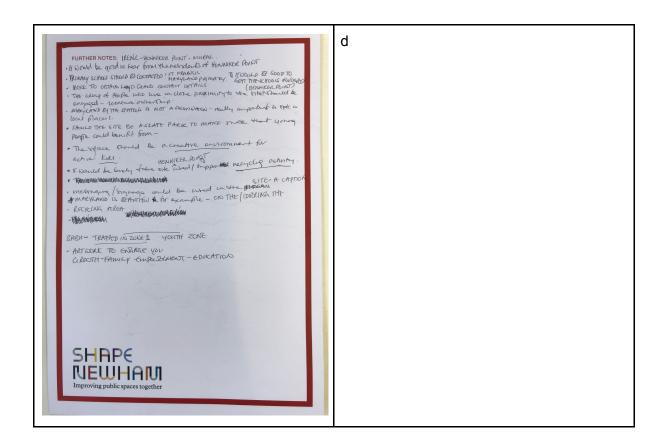
- Speak to Mohammad Khan
- Speak to Justin Huchinson
- Resident engagement with the local estates and Hathaway Estate

# **Appendix**

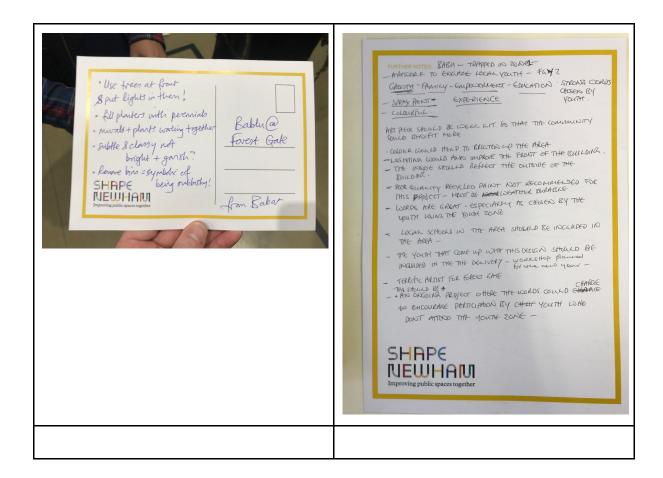
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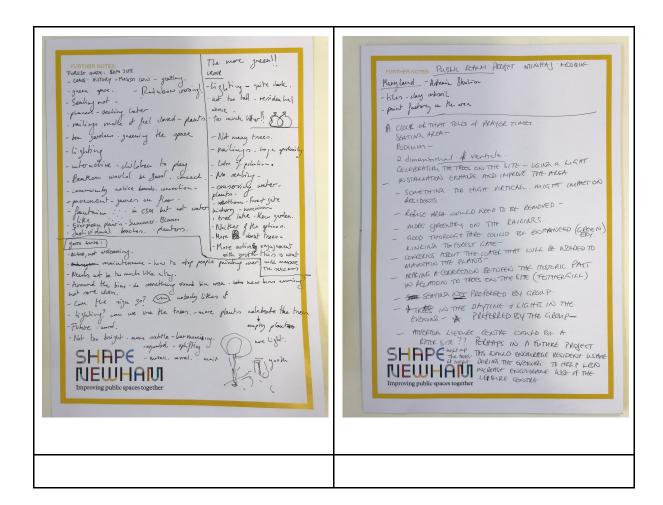




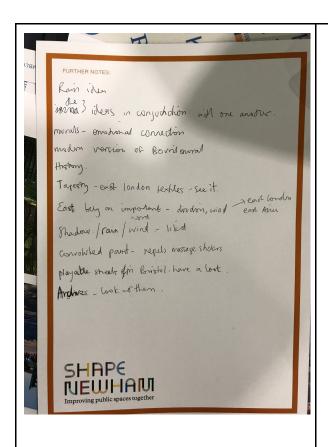
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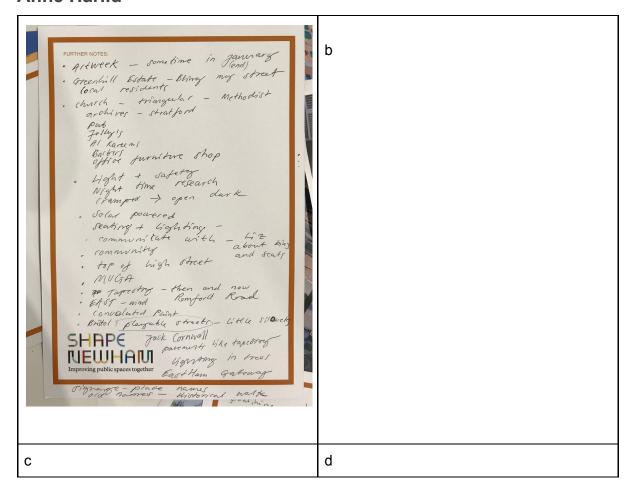
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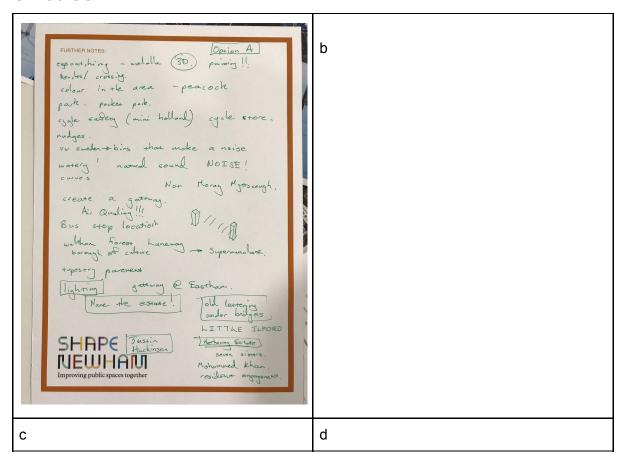
## **Small Change**



#### **Anne Harild**



#### Office S&M

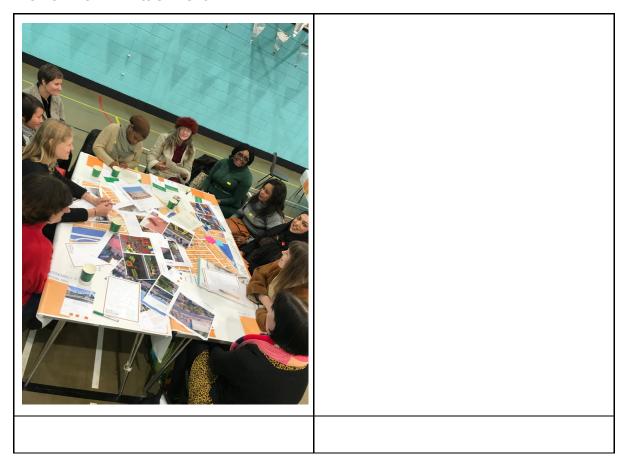


## Photos of tables

# Forest Gate / Maryland



## Manor Park / Little Ilford



## **Photos of event**

