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To: Dean Tyler et al.

From: ON CWG [v2]

REF: DRAFT MINUTES FOR 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER PCG MEETING

**Introduction:** I think I can safely say that the Collective response from all attending CWG the above meeting was one of dismay, rather than anger . Those attending **CWG** had discussed the issue of funding, transparency and the aim to establish a 'grown up' relationship at their meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> September. Therefore the implied comment that Dr Mike D'Souza had submitted our report with no consultation or agreement was false and revealed an underlying distrust of CWG leadership that is not the case.

In addition, the draft minutes are at best inaccurate or worst used as a method to discredit the One Norbiton Company. Could we please ask who was the registered note-taker and also request a copy of the recording from the meeting?

As you will have gathered, all FIVE CWG members present at the meeting have expressed concerns about the obvious way these notes have been edited to downplay the concerns raised by the One Norbiton Group. There are dozens of examples where the minutes do not match the actual conversations.

However, as Ed Naylor , being the elder statesman that he is, called his many years of statesman like experience to advice that, whilst it is regrettable that sometimes 'words must be had' in order that groups working towards a mutually respectful relationship , all participants must work to a common goal where all those working

on the Project/ Team respect colleagues as 'adults' , each with something positive to offer. {Please note that this is one of the items ignored in the draft minutes}

We are prepared to follow this example and move forwards in an adult, mutually cooperative way – which means that, whilst we have made an accurate note of the inaccuracies and topics not even mentioned at the meeting which now appear as minutes we feel it would be a waste of valuable time to pursue each individual item.

**However**, we would like to insist that of the many inaccuracies, a few of the key ones be amended to reflect the truth:.

- a) There has *never* been an expressed wish from One Norbiton not to hold funds. The actual concern expressed at the time this discussion took place we were not fully set up or able to control the many millions that were being mentioned **AT THE TIME THESE MEETINGS WERE HELD.** The following comment seems to have been lost – ie: That One Norbiton Co were working very hard to achieve both the credibility and experience to ultimately achieve this. However, we have long since made it clear that control of a lesser budget would be within our scope and experience– hence the budgets and cash-flow documents which you have received
- b) The E-democracy history lacked factual details and did not include recent discussions with CWG about funding and plans for future events
- c) The Police and Safety sub group have worked for more than 18 months trying to bring the Community Warden plan – one of our priorities - to fruition. This has included visits to neighbouring boroughs and ,attendance at what we now know was a very costly half day seminar run by the LGIU There have been often a repeated requests for a breakdown of job specs involving all wardens through-out RBK who are likely to contribute to this . These are still not forthcoming
- d) There has been no substantive reports minuted to reflect the work done to date in order to create a communal office on the site of 'The Old Laundry
- e) The CWG would like to hold a full and frank discussion with all those involved in this project – in particular with those officials we have not yet met who seem to be blessed with the authority to control the funds that One Norbiton have spent more than two years seeking the credibility to , at the very least , offer feedback on the budgets which have been available.

**The CWG have never been in a more powerful position – especially now that we have documentary proof that the CWG has never been considered as an adult partner.**

**Surely the time has come for us all to set aside our toys and play nicely?**