

Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum

Application to London Borough of Camden to determine neighbourhood area for Dartmouth Park neighbourhood forum

Map of boundary – This is attached

Appropriateness of area – The proposed boundary defines the area of Dartmouth Park with a coherent physical and functional identity. It coincides with the boundary of Dartmouth Park Conservation Area. This boundary is defined in a topographically intelligible manner by the two principal roads that more or less bound it east and west (reinforced on the west by the significant rift in the built-up complex created by Parliament Hill Fields), to the north by the cemetery, and by the railway line to the south.

The minor exceptions to the Conservation Area boundary include:

- an area of Parliament Hill without overlapping with the Highgate neighbourhood planning area and running along the physical boundary of the railway line north of Gospel Oak
- an employment zone to the south of the area and use the physical boundary of Highgate Road without overlapping with the proposed Kentish Town neighbourhood area

The inclusion of the retail area along Swains Lane is supported by local residents and businesses after a ballot.

The boundary also respects those of the neighbourhood forum established in Highgate and the proposed forum in Kentish Town. Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum is liaising actively with both to address cross boundary issues (e.g. Highgate cemetery, Murphy site) and ensure effective dialogue. Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum intends to sign a Memorandum of Understanding prepared by the Kentish Town Neighbourhood Forum to formalise co-operative working. The City of London is also supportive of the proposed boundary on Parliament Hill.

Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum is capable of being a qualifying body for the purposes of the Localism Act 2011 and is proposing this area alongside an application for it to be so recognised.

The Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum is a relevant body for the purposes of section 61G of the 1990 Act.

Further information about Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum and its activities can be found at <http://www.dpnf.org.uk/>