



Queen's Park Trust Launch AGM 3rd September 2026

Meeting Details

- **Venue:** St John the Evangelist Church, Kensal Green
- **Date:** 3rd September 2026
- **Time:** 7:00pm – 8:30pm (Doors open at 6:30pm)
- **Acting Chair:** Lydia Abou-Jaib (CEO)
- **In Attendance:** 38 including 7 QPT Committee members (Secretary: Joey, Annalisa – EDI Officer, Tia, Kinan, Ray, Alina), 2 Ward Councillors, 2 WCC Officers, 3 QPCC Councillors and many valued members and residents.
- Information tables were held by:
 - St John the Evangelist Church
 - Queen's Park Neighbourhood Watch
 - HCGA - Hammersmith Community Gardens Association
 - Friends of Kensal Green Cemetery
 - Lillian Recycling
 - PDT - Community Champions and Climate Champions

Quorum:

Under the constitution for Queen's Park Trust, the quorum required for an AGM is 15 members or 20% of the membership whichever is the least. This was reached and the meeting could commence.

Minutes of the Meeting

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Lydia Abou-Jaib welcomed attendees and thanked them for joining.
- She noted she is stepping in as Acting Chair following the previous Chair's departure and asked for patience while managing multiple roles.
- Interested future candidates for the Chair position were encouraged to contact the Trust.
- Lydia outlined her role as CEO, covering community impact, sustainability, day-to-day administration, event planning, volunteer management, marketing, and accountability to the governing committee.
- An overview was provided on the establishment and progression of the Queen's Park Trust, alongside updates on the official website, Neighbourhood Watch (NHW), and community WhatsApp groups.

2. Governance and Membership

- **Registered Charity Status:** Provided updates on the ongoing process of securing registered charity status.
- **Membership:** Discussed proposed membership categories for the community.

3. Committee Introductions

- The governing committee members were introduced to the attendees.
- Annalisa (EDI Officer) spoke about her role on the board and previous experience.

4. Constitution

- A brief overview and update of recent changes of the Trust's constitution took place.

5. Current Priorities and Projects

- **Local Issues:** Discussed current neighbourhood concerns and local priorities.
- **Projects:** Shared updates on active and upcoming Trust projects.

6. Public Questions

- Open floor session for attendees to ask questions regarding resident concerns within the neighbourhood and the Trust's operations, projects, and future plans.

7. Other Support in the Community

- Local professionals and other local community organisation leaders spoke about their services and how they collaborate with QPT to support the neighbourhood including:
 - Dr Johanna Holmes OBE - Chair of Friends of Kensal Green Cemetery
 - Ngozi Ljanboh - CEO and Founder of Divine Purpose
 - Asato Saito - A professor from Tokyo who studies and teaches Urban Politics
 - Farran Leach - Relationship Officer of Active Westminster (not in attendance)
 - John McArdle - Chair of Safer Neighbourhood Ward Panel
 - Councillor Hamza Taouzalle - QP Ward Councillor and Former Lord Mayor
 - Georgia Gould OBE - MP for Queen's Park and Maida Vale (not in attendance)

8. Closing Remarks and Thanks

- Final thanks extended to attendees, volunteers, and speakers.
- Meeting formally closed. Special thanks to Reverend David for the use of the church.

Meeting was adjourned: 8.05pm
Next Meeting: To be confirmed.