



Dear Friends,

Thank you very much for all of the support that the Friends of Brook Green has received over the past few months, and especially the past few weeks, for our proposal to submit plans for the Brook Green pavilion to planning.

The EGM on Monday 7th July was well attended, beyond our expectations and beyond the capacity of the biggest room in the Masbro Centre! The community listened to eloquent and well-positioned arguments both for and against our proposal. We were thrilled to see such a large number of residents turn up to cast their ballots in a voting process overseen by the local LBHF council. Thanks also goes to De Rosee Sa Architects for all their hard work and Angus McCullough QC for moderating the discussion.

**In the end, The Friends of Brook Green's motion to finalise the proposed pavilion design and submit it to planning was passed by a vote of 76% in favour.**

The total vote cast were 336 (with 256 votes for the proposal, 79 votes against the proposal and 1 spoiled paper).

It was fantastic to see so many members of the community come together and we are delighted with the support we have received. Thank you all for taking the time to get involved and cast your vote. The Friends aim is to foster stronger community relationships, so we hope that moving forward we can work closely with the residents to achieve great things for Brook Green!

The meeting last night was also a good opportunity for the Friends to take on board some critical feedback:

- **Website** – We recognise the limitations of our website which was developed on a shoestring budget. As an interim measure we are working hard to fix the registration form by tomorrow. We will also immediately address the broader website issues with dedicated expert resource to improve functionality so it can be the truly interactive tool we'd all like it to be. Please email us comments on what you would like from a new improved website and how best the

Friends can communicate with the community to keep you informed in the future about all aspects of Brook Green [hello@friendsofbrookgreen.org](mailto:hello@friendsofbrookgreen.org)

- **Pavilion feedback** – We have listened to your comments on the pavilion and would like to invite those who wish to do so, to provide further feedback. Please email us at [hello@friendsofbrookgreen.org](mailto:hello@friendsofbrookgreen.org) and we will listen to your input and endeavour to incorporate as much as possible into the final designs. We are also reaching out to the opponents of the motion to include them in the process so that we achieve the best possible result.
- **Getting Involved** – Additionally, we would like to invite volunteers to support us on the other initiatives that we undertake such as Brook Green Day, becoming a Street Ambassador or helping with one of our sub groups such as the playground or tennis courts. Can you help?
- **Communication** – It will take us a few days to input the 100s of registration forms we collected last night, but please be assured everybody who registered will receive an email from us in the coming days.
- **Next Steps** – We will finalise the current pavilion design, taking onboard further feedback and input, share the design with the community and then submit these plans to LBHF as soon as possible.

Our aim is now to progress the plans and as has always been the case, to be inclusive to those who have views on the future of the Green. The more support we can have, the better! In the meantime, if you have any questions, comments or would like to join us to help make Brook Green an even more wonderful place to live, please email us at [hello@friendsofbrookgreen.org](mailto:hello@friendsofbrookgreen.org).

Best wishes

The Friends of Brook Green