

draft Minutes NKForum Meeting Wednesday 15th April 2026 4pm - Zoom			
Item	Description	Action	Whom
1	Apologies Howard Saphina Trevor David		
2	Matters Arising - The minutes for the previous meeting in March 2026 were signed as a true record. - Will be nice to meet with new Councillors when elected - We have received no further information regarding Reg 16 consultation or Referendum		
3	AGM Discussion on the evening arrangements and re-election of the committee. Help was requested with the arrangements in the Canbury Pavilion and to encourage residents to attend.		
4	AGM		

	• Draft minutes of the 2025 AGM were discussed and there were no comments received prior to publication. • We were very sad to receive the news that Howard Shephard will be standing down from the committee for personal reasons. • We still have ~£3000 in our bank account.		
5	Committee meetings into the future: • Frequency, by Zoom or Canbury Pavilion? Agreed we need to list times/dates when we know more about the consultation and referendum. • Our Constitution states that we should hold 4 meetings per year.		
6	AOB: • Frustrating that everything is on hold due to election purdah • Nothing new to report on Canbury Gardens • No report for Latchmere Rec		
9	Date of next meeting: TBD		
10	Attendees: Jonathan Rollason John Parrish Peter Greenwood Diane Watling Malcolm Porter		
11	Sign off signature:		

The next steps for the NKNPlan



- Sustainability Appraisal (updated)
- Habitat Regulation Assessment
- Consultation Statement
- Basic Conditions Statement

Present the Submission Version of the draft NKNPlan to the community for approval at AGM as outlined in §10.3 of the Constitution

Submit the approved NKNPlan to the Council
Regulation 15 for validation - **DONE**

Council runs a Regulation 16 consultation
on the NKNPlan for 6 weeks

External Examination

REFERENDUM

The question residents will be asked :

"Do you want the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames to use the Neighbourhood Plan for North Kingston to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?"

If the Plan achieves more than 50% 'YES' vote, it becomes a part of the Local Development Framework and all Planning Applications will be judged by the Plan policies in the Neighbourhood Area



A Plan for Our Place: Why North Kingston Needs the Neighbourhood Plan

THE CHALLENGE:

UNMANAGED GROWTH



London Plan mandate. Without a local plan, risk of unmanaged share and town cramming.



Overwhelming majority want tight controls.



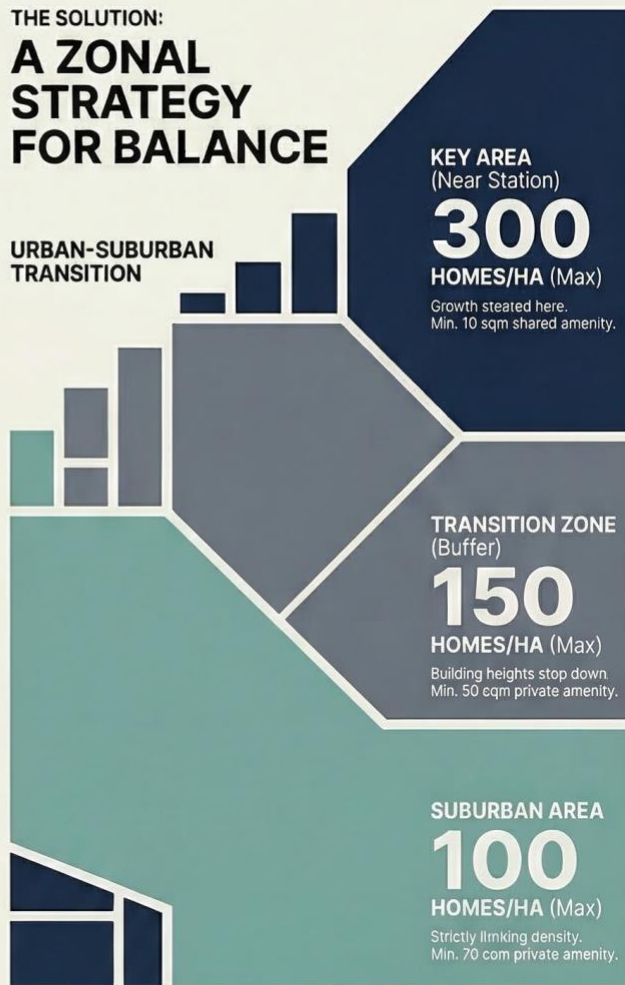
THREAT TO GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE:

Risk of permanent loss of parks, allotments, and private gardens.

THE SOLUTION:

A ZONAL STRATEGY FOR BALANCE

URBAN-SUBURBAN TRANSITION



THE BENEFITS: SUSTAINABILITY & IDENTITY



PROTECTION OF LOCAL GREEN SPACES (LGS):
Designates community hubs like Lotchmere Rec & Park Road Allotments.



CLIMATE RESILIENCE & BIODIVERSITY:
Not biodiversity pain, sustainable materials to mitigate urban heat & flooding.



THE 10 CHARACTERISTICS OF DESIGN:
Adopts National Design Code; ensures new buildings enhance surroundings and respect history.

A VISION FOR 2041

"A thriving residential suburb."

Envisions population growth with positive community investment, without destroying village atmosphere.



STATUTORY PLANNING WEIGHT:
Becomes part of the development plan once approved, giving community vision full legal weight.