
From: James.Fitzgerald@rbkc.gov.uk
Sent: 03 June 2015 17:09
To: [REDACTED]; Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

Dear Cllr. Judith Blakeman,

I can confirm that the Park is booked.

Kind regards,

Mr Fitzgerald

From: Judith Blakeman [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: 02 June 2015 22:43
To: Fitzgerald, James: ELRS; Blackburn, Rebecca: CP-PPU
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

Dear Mr. Fitzgerald

Cllr. Mills has asked that, for the avoidance of doubt, you can confirm that the Park is officially booked that day for the Festival. It has been put into the Mayor's diary too.

Kind regards.

Cllr. Judith Blakeman

From: James.Fitzgerald@rbkc.gov.uk [mailto:James.Fitzgerald@rbkc.gov.uk]
Sent: 02 June 2015 12:52
To: [REDACTED]; Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

Dear Cllr. Judith Blakeman,

I can confirm that the Park is available for this day.

Kind regards,

Mr Fitzgerald

From: Judith Blakeman [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: 02 June 2015 09:09
To: Fitzgerald, James: ELRS; Blackburn, Rebecca: CP-PPU
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

Dear Mr. Fitzgerald

All we are seeking at the moment is whether we can book Avondale Park for Saturday 12 September in order to run the Festival. Are you able to confirm this yet?

Once this is confirmed, then we can re-assemble our Steering Committee –which one of your team will be invited to join – so then we can plan the event. But we need to know fairly soon so that organisations can put the date into their diaries to ensure that they are available.

Kind regards.

Cllr. Judith Blakeman

From: James.Fitzgerald@rbkc.gov.uk [<mailto:James.Fitzgerald@rbkc.gov.uk>]
Sent: 01 June 2015 13:42
To: [REDACTED] Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

Dear Cllr. Judith Blakeman,

Sorry I haven't collated the required information on Avondale Community Festival sooner. I simply wanted to speak to colleagues about the numerous aspects that make up the Avondale Community Festival and what support we have offered historically.

I'm speaking with the parks team today and should be able to contact you later in the week with a strong overview and offer you the support required to move this event forward.

I have no issues in progressing this event just wanted to understand all aspects.

Kind regards,

James

From: Judith Blakeman [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]](mailto:[REDACTED])]
Sent: 01 June 2015 13:10
To: Blackburn, Rebecca: CP-PPU
Cc: Fitzgerald, James: ELRS
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

Dear Ms. Blackburn

I checked at around 4 pm and there was a barbecue and a number of people around. I was not there from 2 pm. I checked the site afterwards and it was properly cleaned up.

I am surprised it took Events such a short time to approve it, as I have been trying since 28th April to get authorisation for the Avondale Community Festival in Avondale Park – the second one to be held, last year's being funded in part by the Council itself through the City Living budgets.

Kind regards.

Cllr. Judith Blakeman

From: Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk [<mailto:Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk>]
Sent: 01 June 2015 09:14

To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

Dear Councillor Blakeman

I think it was a misunderstanding on my part about the public/private green, I apologise for that.

I have caught up with the officers from Environmental Health they have had no reports complaints etc of the event over the weekend.

From what you saw was it a successful event, albeit an unauthorised one?

Kind regards

Rebecca

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From: Judith Blakeman [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]](mailto:[REDACTED])]
Sent: 30 May 2015 09:10
To: Blackburn, Rebecca: CP-PPU
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

I will be checking it out both today and tomorrow also. I am worried that someone seems to have misled you that it was to be held on private land. What was the source of that claim?

Kind regards.

Cllr. Judith Blakeman

From: Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk [<mailto:Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk>]
Sent: 29 May 2015 20:21
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Lancaster Green

I know. If I hear anything over the weekend I'll let you know.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the O2 network.

From: Judith Blakeman
Sent: Friday, 29 May 2015 6:57 PM
To: Blackburn, Rebecca: CP-PPU
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

Thank you – and I meant to say “unauthorised event”.

JB

From: Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk [mailto:Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk]
Sent: 29 May 2015 18:52
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Lancaster Green

Dear Councillor Blakeman

I will get someone to expect the park Monday. I will get back to as soon as I know next week.

Kind regards

Rebecca

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the O2 network.

From: Judith Blakeman
Sent: Friday, 29 May 2015 5:47 PM
To: Blackburn, Rebecca: CP-PPU
Subject: RE: Lancaster Green

Dear Ms. Blackburn

Many thanks. I do not believe this event is on private land. We have been told that it is to be held on Lancaster Green, which is a Council park. The Lancaster West Residents' Association was very disappointed to be told very late about this event and that it is open only to residents of Grenfell Tower. They could not understand why the rest of the residents of Lancaster West Estate could be excluded from an event on their local park.

I appreciate that we only found out about this very late in the day so there was little that the Council could do – but a lot of money has recently been spent on Lancaster Green and I do hope that it will not be damaged by an authorised event taking place. Will it be possible to have an update next week?

Kind regards.

Cllr. Judith Blakeman

From: Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk [mailto:Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk]
Sent: 29 May 2015 16:11
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fw: Lancaster Green

I left the office early to see my son, he's been away with my parents for a week and wanted to get the email out with my signature on it.

Below is the email I sent.

I will forward any replies to you.

Rebecca

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the O2 network.

From: Blackburn, Rebecca: CP-PPU <Rebecca.Blackburn@rbkc.gov.uk>
Sent: Friday, 29 May 2015 3:42 PM
To: Pilgrim.Tucker@unitetheunion.org
Subject: Lancaster Green

Dear Ms Tucker

Please could you spare the time to give me any documentation regarding the event you are running tomorrow. The events team would have wanted prior knowledge of this event. I understand it is on private land but due to the presence of food and ponies there is an issue around health and safety which our Environmental Health team would of liked to investigate.

We do not want to stop the event but we do want to make sure that all risks are mitigated. Please make sure all Ponies are restrained at all time and are never left unattended and also please ensure that any food produced is done safely and avoid contamination.

Next time please ensure you contact the council's events team at specialevents@rbkc.gov.uk when holding such an event.

Kind regards

Rebecca Blackburn

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