



Date: 29/09/2022

Reference for GLA 2030 Future Neighbourhoods Application – Letter of Support

To Whom It May Concern,

I write in my capacity as CEO from the Space in support of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Council (RBKC) proposal for the Mayor of London Future Neighbourhoods 2030 programme.

We strongly support this application and commit to working with the Council and other local partners in the delivery of several initiatives: Cooking classes for young people and families and Upcycling project.

Following the Phase 1 application when we've partnered with the Council to develop a school uniform programme, we have now committed to deliver two other initiatives following the requests from Notting Dale residents which aim not only bring environmental benefits such as tackling food waste, building a circular economy – reuse, upcycle and provide green training opportunities; but also tackle the cost of living crisis. In our activities, we bring the financial literacy training and refer residents into the wider grants and services available.

While running these activities, we would like to open the Space as a Warm space location in Notting Dale for residents to keep warm, have a meal and receive energy and financial literacy advice.

We therefore confirm that we strongly support this application and would like to partner with the Council to support with engaging the community and residents in Notting Dale and delivering a series of initiatives/projects as listed below:

10 Cooking classes for young people and families

Upcycling project: rescue goods and furniture and donate it in the community together with carpentry classes

Our organisation is a charity and has been based in Notting Dale since March 2018. We were set up in the aftermath of the Grenfell Tower Fire to support the recovery of the local community and aim to create a more resilient and sustainable neighbourhood.

We are a predominantly BAME community-led organisation run by local people who are committed to improving the area's health, building local capacity, and alleviating poverty. We serve a weekly average of 500 local residents and offer a wide range of inter-generational services including health and wellbeing, training, food support in partnership

with Grenfell Health and Wellbeing Service, RBKC children services and adult social care and Shelter

We strongly support this application which will not only tackle environmental issues in a holistic way; but will embed green recovery at the heart and bring benefits to the community, particularly supporting the most disadvantaged residents and unrepresented groups in Notting Dale.

Through this letter, we acknowledge specific roles and responsibilities we will fulfil in this partnership.

We also have a team of 40 local volunteers (20% are young people) as well as a local parents group who support our activities and the Space centre where we will be running them which would provide added value.

Yours sincerely,

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I confirm all the above information is correct. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Samia Badani', written over a horizontal line.