

# Constitution

- for the running of the My Manor Park Association -

## Introduction

My Manor Park was created to promote the best parts of the E12 area, to create a vision of the future and to garner support and contribution to make it happen through the people that live here. My Manor Park manifests itself through:

- The association of members
- The website www.mymanorpark.com
- The Instagram feed @MyManorPark
- Utilisation of #MyManorPark across social channels

My Manor Park is a volunteer-run association open to all residents in the area. This document sets the aims, governance, rules and general running of My Manor Park.

As a group of people wishing to get together with a shared interest in promoting the best of the area and to promote a healthier, happier and more sustainable future, without employment of staff or leasing premises – we can formally be recognised as an Unincorporated Association.

My Manor Park is managed by volunteers from the area who welcome input and comments. You can contact the committee at: hello@mymanorpark.com

#### **Focus**

My Manor Park, as the name suggests covers the general postcode of E12, in the London borough of Newham.



As a small volunteer run organisation, we are currently focusing our attention around the Romford Road / Station Road area as a 'town centre' which currently lacks dominance. As a busy junction, it very much feels that this could lend itself to the heart



of the town, and yet currently it is simply a junction that residents and visitors pass through on their way to somewhere else. My Manor Park seeks to change this. The 'Aims' section of this document sets out our goals on how to drive change in this area which will hope will help the whole of the greater E12 postcode to thrive.

## Aims of My Manor Park

#### Aim 1

Our focus begins by improving the visual appear of Manor Park through community planting and vibrant, welcoming signage. Our focus should be to upgrade, hero and make the best of what we've got.

## Aim 2

This will create a feeling of opportunity and a visual sense that "something is happening". This in turn will create a more visible value proposition for small businesses to choose Manor Park over other areas.

#### Aim 3

When Manor Park is seen as a place where there is opportunity, more things will "start to happen" organically. The result of which will lead to greater prosperity and a natural reduction in antisocial behaviour over time.

The full vision deck, which has been shared with Newham Council can be viewed here: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1pE0p80ArQ9TXgJEJKen2RzGl8Hv183W6/view?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1pE0p80ArQ9TXgJEJKen2RzGl8Hv183W6/view?usp=sharing</a>

# What will these aims help to achieve for E12?

- A healthier, happier place for those who live and work in E12
- A reduction in anti-social behaviour environments impact behaviours.
- A greener high street with improved air quality
- The opportunity to shop and support locally, without the need to travel outside of the area
- Cleaner, safer streets
- A sense of community with regular activities that help to contribute to the upkeep of our area
- A sense of pride and respect in the area from the local residents and the next generation.
- Positively impact the lives of local residents, regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity or social-economic circumstances.

## Structure of the My Manor Park Association



My Manor Park is run by the Association Managers. The ethos, vision, promotion and curation of content that celebrates My Manor Park is upheld by our patrons – those who live and work in the local neighbourhood.

## Role of Association Managers:

- To deliver the Aims of the My Manor Park Association.
- To apply for funding and local grants where possible to help achieve the aims.
- To engage with local councils in feedback, surveys, submission of ideas, and encouraging others in the community to do the same.
- To part take and support events and initiatives run by others in the local area.
- To promote the 'best bits' of Manor Park regularly via our website, on social media or via our newsletter subscription.
- To support local residents to pursue ideas and new initiatives that help to improve the community, offering encouragement, advice, creative media and assets to help achieve their goals.
- To understand, uphold and align the aims of My Manor Park alongside the desires of those within the local community.
- To run local events and get togethers.
- To encourage fund raising, voluntary activities and participation that help to achieve the aims of My Manor Park.
- To continually promote healthier, happier, greener living within Manor Park.
- Monthly meetings to discuss feedback from patrons, review aims and progress against goals, discuss new ideas and forthcoming initiatives.

## Role of Patrons

A Patron of My Manor Park could be a local resident or business who shares the same vision and wishes to uphold it through action, under the banner of or association with My Manor Park. This could include, but isn't limited to:

- Running of local events such as bake sales, jumble trails, litter picks, flower bed upkeep, plant swaps.
- Sharing of good news, new ideas, new business, beautiful imagery, progression in the area, activities.
- Positively and proactively seeks to engage with the council on new initiatives that will help to achieve a healthier, happier, greener Manor Park in association with My Manor Park.

This provides a holistic and symbiotic relationship – helping those who are wanting to do more, and providing a platform for those who do.

# Finances of My Manor Park

My Manor Park is a voluntary run organisation. From time to time we may encourage fund raising activities and will remain entirely transparent around what the funds will go towards achieving and maintain breakdowns of spend.



- Fundraising events and voluntary contributions can be made via the GoFundMe page.
- My Manor Park merchandise is print to order 100% of the profits from the sale of merchandise go back into funding local projects.
- Impromptu donations are always very welcome!
- Patrons are able to apply for funding, providing it is in keeping with the aims and goals of My Manor Park.
- My Manor Park Managers will apply for funding from local councils or via grant applications to help achieve the aims the association. All successful funding and what it will help achieve will be shared via the website and social media channels.
- To this end, no member of the Committee can be paid a regular wage.

### Feedback

The Committee welcomes input and comments. Please write to <a href="hello@mymanorpark.com">hello@mymanorpark.com</a> if you would like to get in touch.