

Full Council Meeting – 27 October 2016

Agenda Item CC1659/16

Renaming Croxley Station

Introduction

As Councillors may be aware, there has been a campaign in Croxley Green to rename the TFL station from Croxley to Croxley Green. This motion is to seek support from councillors to add the support of the Parish Council to this initiative.

Discussion Narrative

The MLX, (Metropolitan Line Extension) project gives a chance to rename Croxley station to Croxley Green station. There was a Croxley Green station in the village, built in 1912 by the London and North Western Railway, linking Croxley Green to Watford junction. This station and line was finally closed in 1996. This was the railway station that was the first rail link for us. The metropolitan line was completed in 1927 to Croxley Green and Watford. This station was renamed 'Croxley' in 1949 to differentiate it from the now closed Croxley Green station.

Now the MLX is planned and should start the phase two works later this year, the old rail line will be back in action, and this gives us the chance to have the station named back to its original name. Also it will help us all in explaining what station to come to when we have visitors!!

There have already been discussions with TFL about this by CGRA and others, and the principle seems to be accepted subject to costs being met. If we can join the campaign and give it support, we can help negotiate a reasonable cost for the necessary extra changes to the signs and maps when the new line is opened in 2020. This motion is not to commit any funds at this stage; it is purely to give the initiative more momentum and support.

Recommendation

1. To agree that the parish Council supports the initiative to rename Croxley Station back to Croxley Green.
2. To appoint one or two councillors to help take this forward with CGRA and others.