

Steering Group Meeting Notes by Zoom on the 10th Dec 2020 at 2pm

Present Cllr Greenwood (Chair), Cllr Webb (V Chair), Cllr Allen-Shepherd and Cllr Bigg
Secretary

1. Apologies for absence

None

2. Declarations of interest

None

3. Approval of notes from previous meeting 25th Nov 2020

Approved with slight amendment of wording under Item 7, paragraph 7,9,10

4. Actions outstanding from last meeting

All completed or on as an agenda item on this meeting

5. Chairman's Update

A report had been given at the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 7th Dec 2020 stating that the Group were awaiting a response from CBC to sort out some fundamental issues.

There had been very few comments since the examiner's report had gone into the public domain.

John Jowers was unaware that the examiner had recommended that the NP does not proceed to referendum.

A response was needed for the Gt Totham Neighbourhood Plan Consultation by the 31st Jan 2021.

Local Plan Committee meeting – JG to speak on the 14th December 2021.

There is a meeting scheduled this evening (10/12/2020) regarding Bloor Homes and undisclosed matters.

6. Correspondence

There was nothing to report.

7. Publication of report

The Examiners report had been put in the public domain on 3rd Dec 2020, by way of CBC Website, TPC website, NP Facebook page as well as informing all interested parties on the databases. There had been very little comment on this other than one resident thanking the group for the work done on the Plan.

Some of the WG Members had contacted the Secretary regarding the Plan, with a possible resignation from one of the group. Secretary had responded and would send details onto the SG. (Action 7a Secretary)

8. Plan of Action

We are waiting a response from CBC to establish whether a route across the North could be preserved

DW suggested a meeting with CBC once we know the outcome of the Local Plan Meeting

SAS suggested the need for a more specific context of what is required for road modelling

If we cannot keep the road we have to re-examine our justification for developing the northern sites and consider alternatives.

We will need to decide whether or not to remove 200 houses as recommended by the examiner?

Need road- traffic evidence to justify the primary streets

A Call for sites advert needs to be placed at a later date

9. RCCE Information Day

SAS and JG had attended this event, and discussed the possibility of holding an online virtual consultation. This would be reviewed at a later date if required.

10. Review of Group Structure and Terms of Reference

JG had distributed an amended Terms of Reference with a recommendation that the Steering Group remains a Working Group but with new Terms of Reference under which the old 'Working Group meetings' would be eliminated. Instead the new meeting monthly would be open to anyone from the old group or the general public to attend. Task groups would be set up as and when necessary. It was agreed that the draft Terms of Reference would be sent to the PC chairman for comment and the group agreed to review these terms of reference and bring back to the next meeting for agreement. If agreed would go to the Parish Council for approval on the 11th Jan 2021

11. Finance and Grant Update

Secretary had distributed some grant information before the meeting and advised that we can make one more application for the grant for approx. £10,000. She felt that it was too late to make any application now as we would have to spend all the money by the end of the financial year, but to make an application as early as possible in the new financial year.

Budget Parish Council 2020/21 is £10,000,

Since April 20 expenditure was approx. £3k, (salary, consultant fees, Advertising for reg 16) but awaiting some consultant invoices. (11a Action Secretary to chase)

JG stated that the Clerk had mentioned to him about possibly moving the office salary out of the NP budget into TPC budget.

Secretary was requested to write to borough councillors requesting funding from Jan until the end of the year for any consultancy fees. Further fees could then be sought after March from the grant.

(11b Action Secretary)

12. Date of Next Meeting

Thurs 7th Jan 2021 at 2pm

Meeting closed at 3.55pm