

**Minutes of Meeting of the Steering Group of Haslemere Vision
held at Haslemere Town Hall on Wednesday 21 May 2014 at 8 pm**

Present: Stewart Brown, Cyndy Lancaster, Robert Silk, Matthew Bowcock, Peter Isherwood, David Simmons, Lesley Banfield. Susanna Brown attended to take the minutes.

1 APOLOGIES Crawford Christie, Diana Vartan.

2 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING held on 22 April 2014 had been circulated and were approved, subject to correction of typographical errors.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 Charter Fair on May 5 HV's stand, organised and manned by Robert Silk and others, had been well attended, and a number of new volunteers had signed up. The meeting noted particular thanks to Robert Silk and David Simmons.

3.2 Assets of community value The up to date list of properties that might be registered as 'assets of community value' was still awaited.

Action: SB to contact KG and RS to reactivate the listing process.

MB suggested categories of property that should be considered for listing, as follows: Privately owned properties that might come onto the market; Publicly owned that might be disposed of; Sites of key community importance (such as common land and the recreation ground); Sites of strategic interest (Such as some of the Gibbs trust land)

3.3 Housing After some discussion the decision to defer consulting the community re housing until September, after WBC has published and consulted on their proposed housing allocations for the new Local Plan was agreed. SB reported. from a recent meeting with WBC, that WBC had closed their appeal for new sites. SB advised that, despite this we need to take stock of and record the sites HV volunteers have identified even though they will not influence the forthcoming allocation from WB and he would be setting up a meeting to review a summary prepared by John Greer shortly. It was noted that private properties where it is not possible to verify that there is a reasonable likelihood that they may be for sale in the next few years, and therefore not 'deliverable', will not be counted by WBC. Anyone interested in attending the follow-up meeting would be welcome. LB (certain) and RSilk (possibly) expressed an interest in attending.

Action: SB to convene meeting.

3.4 Transport It was noted that if we are to organise really constructive transport workshop(s) in September planning should start soon.

Action: SB to liaise with the Transport group re workshop(s) in September.

4 PLANS FOR JUNE CONSULTATION

4.1 The Document: CC was not at the meeting to speak to the final draft because he was still working to complete it so that it could be sent to HTC that evening. CC had put a huge amount of work into it and was now amending it, to take into account the comments of the Steering Group and HTC and others. In addition a small group (including CC, R Silk, JM, SM, NB, SB and D O'B) had worked together to incorporate final changes and reduce the

length from 30 pages to 20-odd including photos. The format will be adapted for the autumn consultation, the preparation of which should not be so onerous. An HTC subcommittee would meet on Friday morning for a final review of the document and their comments would be taken into account in the final edit of the document. **Action: SB to circulate HTC comments to SG members**

4.2 Distribution Lengthy discussion ensued of the pros and cons of whether to deliver of the survey document by volunteers (which Stephen Mulliner had volunteered to organise), or by Royal Mail. It is a huge undertaking: there are 608 roads in Haslemere. DS tabled quotations obtained by DV which showed that the Royal Mail will deliver to every house in designated post codes for £83 per 1000 + VAT but 5 weeks' notice may be required which would delay distribution by a week or so. It was agreed that, if the delivery time could be shortened it made sense to deliver via Royal Mail. The documents did not need to be addressed or enveloped. PI volunteered to pay for delivery to the 1800 homes in Hindhead

Action: R Silk to make immediate contact with Royal Mail in DV's absence (DS to provide telephone numbers) to clarify rates and timing.

Action: SB to discuss with Stephen Mulliner how he plans to distribute if Royal Mail not an option.

4.3 Analysis Further discussion followed, of the means of analysis and it was agreed that it was vital that the document was available on-line with the facility for on-line response alongside the hard copies.

Action: SB and CC to liaise with Doug Chandler and Philip Clifford Brown about functionality of HV website for this purpose.

5 UPDATE ON PLANS FOR WEY HILL FAIRGROUND WORKSHOP

5.1 Date and time LB reported that the Wey Centre was booked for a workshop from 2-5.30 on Saturday, 21 June and this date had been published in the Herald and the Messenger but not yet on website. There was a conflict with the Civic Service for swearing in the new mayor scheduled for 4 pm but it was hoped that some councillors would attend the early part of the workshop. WBC had declined to send anyone.

5.2 Leadership LB and David O'Brien were to plan the day with Paul Sutton, the local architect who would chair it, but had been unable to make contact with him so far.

Action LB: urgent that planning get under way and that objectives for the day be confirmed and the means of recording the outcome. LB also to confirm the number and role of helpers.

6 REPORT ON FUNDING / EXPENSES

6.1 SB reported that the balance of £6000 available to HV would cover expenses through June-July. It is now urgent to start fundraising for the autumn activities. It was planned to approach HTC, the Community Foundation for Surrey and the Big Lottery.

Action SB to contact Geoff Martin to write applications when he becomes available in 2-3 weeks.

7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 24 June 8 pm at Town Hall. MB and LB proffered apologies.

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