

**MINUTES OF HASLEMERE VISION STEERING GROUP MEETING
HELD AT HASLEMERE TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY 18 JANUARY 2017**

1 Attendance* and Apologies (A): Stewart Brown (Chairman)*, Lesley Banfield*, Jonny Fry*, Cyndy Lancaster*, Stephen Mulliner*, Melanie Odell*, David Simmons*, Diana Vartan*;

Matthew Bowcock (A), Liz Burton (A), Crawford Christie (A), Peter Isherwood (A), John Moxon (A), Libby Piper (A), Vicki Purewal (A), Robert Silk(A), Simona Teresi(A). Susanna Brown attended to take the minutes.

2 Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 December 2016 were approved.

3 Matters Arising

-Item 4 SB has sent the windfall policy to Tony Burton who will respond in about a week; SM to talk to Matthew Ellis tomorrow and will forward outcome of that meeting to TB.

-Item 5 MO is working on the development of the plan for the final statutory consultation..

4 Meetings with WBC re completion of an SEA and work programme

4.1 Sarah Nash, CC and Philippa Guest went to a second meeting with WBC to learn precisely what we need to do re SA/SEA. The good news is that the new colleague of ME may be able to help us to limit the need for paid consultancy. The bad news is that that the process will involve more work and take longer than we had expected.

4.2 This is expected to push the completion of the sustainability/environmental work, including any external expert input, into May.

5 Update on joint meetings with HTC on policy/plan drafting and future work programme

5.1 MO is awaiting the revised policies from CC— now forecast for 6th Feb. **Action: MO** to arrange HTC working party and after that a HTC/HV meeting. It was agreed that the aim is to reach agreement on policies HV/HTC by end March (council meeting in March) in sufficient shape to share with other bodies. 5.2 Bearing this in mind the time that that will take and the fact that the May council meeting is 'mayor making' it was agreed that we should therefore aim to get final approval of the draft NP, ready for the statutory consultation, at the July council meeting.

5.2 LB now aims to have the front end plan summary drafted by the end of March.

5.2 Diane Moses' evidence gathering will take place in parallel with this. SB is confident we will produce a good evidence trail by the time the plan goes to HTC in July.

5.3 CC has undertaken to produce a detailed timetable for the remaining work and this will be circulated to SG members shortly. **Action CC/LPG.**

6 Discussion of proposal on future of HV - See attached paper: 'Proposal regarding the future focus and organisation of Haslemere Vision', ref SMB 17.1.17

There was searching discussion about the possible future for HV. The Steering Group recognised the desirability of HV having a specific action focus as the volume of work on the Neighbourhood Plan winds down. It agreed that, for the immediate future the most appropriate "action opportunity" for it to support is the creation of the Community Land Trust. It, therefore, supported the proposal that SMB and the Process Leadership Group should investigate with the CLT steering group how the two organisations can be integrated to make best use of resources and support the formation/work of the CLT. The idea would be that, over the next few months, the main focus of HV's activities would shift to support for the Community Land Trust while a subcommittee would remain in place to support HTC in the completion of the Neighbourhood Planning Process.

Members of the SG were, however, concerned that HV does not lose sight of its role as a catalyst for action on the other opportunities identified in the NP, working with HTC and other community organisations to achieve this.

It was agreed that a draft summary be circulated to all members of the Steering Group for their comment or amendment before bringing the matter back to the next SG meeting for formal approval.

7 The Heights

Agreed that this site on Hill Road may need to be added into the plan, for consistency of planning policy and also whether there are SEA considerations. SM warned that developers could get permission quite quickly if their plans for the site were sensible. It was suggested that any site specific policy proposal included in the NP should encourage a mix of housing that includes a good proportion of smaller dwellings and that, given the location of the site, this might be a good site for a development of smaller, high quality dwellings, suitable for older downsizers.

8 HV Ltd Annual Accounts 2016 and Treasurer/Co Sec

8.1 JF reported that he had submitted the 2016 HV Ltd Annual Accounts to Companies House after circulating them to the Directors for their approval. It was agreed that the Directors Report must clearly identify restricted funds. **Action: JF**

8.2 JF confirmed that he will stand down as Treasurer on 1 May 2017 after seeing through the current accounts to 4 April 2017.

8.3 SB reported that Diane Moses has agreed to take over as Treasurer/Co Sec.

9 Next meetings Wednesday 15 February (CL to get key) and Wednesday 15 March. (Apologies from JF and SM for the 15th February)

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