

**MINUTES OF HASLEMERE VISION STEERING GROUP MEETING  
HELD AT HASLEMERE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY 15 MAY 2018**

1. **Attendance\* and Apologies (A):** Stewart Brown (Chairman)\*, David Simmons\*, John Moxon\*, Robert Silk\*, Cyndy Lancaster \*, Diane Moses \*, Simona Teresi\*, Lesley Banfield (A), Stephen Mulliner (A), Liz Burton (A), Crawford Christie (A), Peter Isherwood (A), Melanie Odell (A), Libby Piper (A), Matthew Bowcock (A), Vicki Purewal (A).

also in attendance: Howard Brown

2. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 March 2018 were approved.**

3. **Matters Arising:**

- DS had met with Victoria Leek but it was difficult to get hold of evidence for support of 20MPH zones. There was general agreement in the group that it was a good idea as long as it was kept very limited and with no road bumps. HTC's support would be needed if anything was going to be done about this. Action: SB to raise it with HTC to see if there is any enthusiasm to resurrect this issue, in which case more work will need to be done.
- With regard to the enforcement of Article 4 of the Planning Directive to provide protection of retail premises, WBC have agreed there is a case for it in various places, including Haslemere, and have chosen Beacon Hill as the first place to try it out.
- on Item 5, HV's response on Parking had been sent.
- on Item 9, SB still to organise a brainstorming session once the completed document is available.
- all other outstanding matters are dealt with under the various points below.

4. **Update on recent activity:**

- HV's presence at the Charter Fair had been worthwhile in raising HV's profile: SB reported many visitors and about a dozen interested in getting involved – including two Planning Consultants offering to field queries on planning issues. One visitor was doing a Master's in Urban Planning with a dissertation on Affordable Housing and SB has given his details to DM regarding his possible involvement in the Community Land Trust (CLT). DM reported signing up 30 members to the CLT and being approached by two people with potential land. Also the promotion of the Housing Needs Survey had generated some 110 responses so far.

5. **Update on progress of WBC Local Plan Part 2 (LPP2):**

- SB reported that although the Minister had agreed Dunsfold, there had been 2 legal challenges: one from POW (Protect Our Waverley) who had launched a High Court challenge against the Local Plan, and a separate challenge from CPRE (Campaign Protect Rural England) on whether Waverley should take the overflow of housing from Woking. This could become problematic if WBC needs to start the Local Plan again from scratch.
- WBC 's present timetable for LPP2 which they published on page 7 of their Consultation Document, is as follows:

April to May 2018	Consultation on preferred options for Housing Sites
July to August 2018	Review of responses and developing pre-submission plan
October to December 2018	6-week pre-submission consultation
February 2019	Submission of LPP2
Late 2019	Anticipated Adoption

The first part has now slipped to May/ June with the Consultation probably from around 20<sup>th</sup> May, to be completed by end June.

- SB hoped we could get the 1<sup>st</sup> draft of our Plan to HTC by July for submission to the September HTC meeting.

- The aim was final approval end September for subsequent local consultation. HV could do our own local consultation in parallel to WBC.
- A Process Leadership Group meeting was scheduled for next week for MO and LP to iron out final issues re. policies so they can then review with their workgroup.

#### **6. Discuss WBC Site Allocation Proposals:**

On the basis of responses to their Autumn Consultation, WBC have published the Preferred Sites.

- Re. HV's response to WBC on sites outside the Settlement Boundary, SB said our contention all along has been that, given the number of Windfall Sites, we should not need to go over the Boundary in order to meet the housing numbers, but WBC are adamant that the Inspector won't let them rely on the numbers of Windfall wanted. We can't assume Windfall will continue at the present rate or that existing Brownfield will be developed during the planned period, therefore although HV can continue to protest, WBC will argue that there should be some provision outside the Boundary.
- Our fallback position should be only as a last resort, but realistically we are likely to end up with several sites outside the Boundary no matter what we do.
- It was felt that at least the sites that WBC list outside the Boundary are probably the "least bad": namely Longdene House and Scotland lane (DS 15 & 10).
- DM has done a draft response to WBC. Action: ALL to feed in any thoughts on WBC proposals A.S.A.P

#### **7. Discuss developments re. Wey Hill Fairground:**

- In view of LB's absence, SB provided a quick summary:  
WBC maintain that their temporary surfacing and Parking charges Option only has a 3 year life and will not obstruct future development. They can have no plans or money for 6 years and are therefore unwilling to spend exploration money. HV had asked at the very least for a sub-soil Survey to see if the site can be developed at all, and this should be conducted before the re-surfacing of the Car Park.
- It is understood that Richard Homewood, Head of Environmental Services at WBC, had found a Survey which he had sent to SM, and they both agree it demonstrates that the site can be developed. Therefore there is no longer any need to spend money upfront.
- The hope is that HV working with HTC (and eventually WBC) can find enough money for a feasibility study.

#### **8. Review programme and tasks for completion of NP:**

In view of the absence of the relevant people, this item was deferred to the next meeting.

#### **9. AOB:**

##### **- General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR):**

DM had put together information on what to do with data and how to protect it, using the policy on the website done by Doug Chandler as well as adding some information. **Action:** SB asked **DM** to circulate this.

#### **10. Dates for future meetings:      July 10<sup>th</sup>**

The meeting ended at 9.30pm