

## NEIGHBOURHOOD

## DEVELOPMENT FORUM

Action Minutes for the Management Board Meeting  
Held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2015  
At the Station Hotel Guiseley

**1a). Members Present:** Frank la Corte, Joan Roberts, Richard Webster, Lynda Kitching, Jennifer Kirkby, Elizabeth Kirkpatrick, Steve Howarth

**b) In Attendance:** Michael Dawson, Roger Halliwell (representing Aireborough Civic Society)

**2. Members' Apologies:** Ryk Downes, Graham Latty, Clive Wood

LK chaired the meeting and introduced Michael Dawson to the group. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as accurate

**3. Innovative parking ideas for Guiseley proposed by Michael Dawson.**

MD presented ideas to alleviate the parking issues in Guiseley, which included

- the enlargement of the car park on Netherfield Road to a four level car park with one level underground, combined with restricted parking on the roadside during the day.
- a feasibility study of a one way system on Park Road or two way traffic but with no access from Bradford Road.

LCC had received £40,800,000 to date from the New Homes Bonus Scheme and this was a potential use of a portion in Aireborough where a lot of development had taken place. FLC had made enquiries about money from this scheme and had been told it had been absorbed into the Council's budget to make up the deficit in reduced monies from the government and that they were entirely within their rights to do so.

SH commented other improvements would be

- connecting the existing car park to the station platform along a specific walkway.
- adopting the road through the Esholt works,
- parking on Springfield Road.

**Actions:**

**JK to ask the councillors for £5,000,000 for parking infrastructure.**

MD to look at some costings.

A feasibility study to be given thought.

LK thanked MD for presenting his ideas. MD left the meeting.

#### **4. Secretary's Report**

EK asked for ideas to engage members. NW noted the apathy encountered in motivating people to respond to the SAP consultation people wanted something done, but weren't prepared to do anything about it themselves. **Agreed to approach individuals and groups to help with specific parts of the NP Programme of Work in order to get a draft NP done.**

JK said one NF reported to the membership every two months. It was also suggested that the Board meet every six weeks instead of every month and have workshops for the membership on topics such as transport. **Programme Working Group to consider the issue and report back.**

EK suggested that Pop-Ups were held in Morrisons as this seemed to have an excellent footfall and had proved effective in reach people ignorant of the SAP consultation.

Facebook had a steady and growing engagement level, last week a post had reached 10,852..

#### **5. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer ran through the expenditure and income from the past months.

The Board had given permission to pay the agreed proportion of the barrister's fees incurred by local groups seeking advice over the Leeds Housing Allocation Proposals. **Any further contribution was subject to available funds and full discussion on share between groups.**

#### **6. Progression of the Programme Plan**

JK presented the NP Programme Plan and project definitions (Green Infrastructure, Ecology, Landscape, Housing Need, Urban Structure, Green Route) put together by the Programme Working Group, who have been meeting weekly. This would evolve the vision into policies. It would be ideal to have a target date for a first draft by May 2016, however this was constrained by funding and resource.

Input to the Programme had come from LCC Urban Design Officer Andy Graham, who had alerted the group to the 2014-15 Leeds Report - Planning a Healthy City. This report correlated well with the ANDF Vision, and the key model had been added to the Vision document to be in general conformity with the LDF.

NW will do a project plan for the Traffic Study. Economy will be done when a project co-ordinator can be recruited in the New Year. JR commented that the project team had done a great job in a short space of time.

**The ANDF Programme Plan and current Project Definitions were approved.**

## **7. Airport Link Road**

As work is focussed on the Neighbourhood Plan, the Board agreed that Briony Spandler and her team would be asked to investigate options and report to the ANDF so that a response could be formulated. The consultation had been extended to the end of February.

## **9. AOB**

### **(i) Christmas Lights**

(JR and) LK attended a meeting re the lights for the ANDF - it is hoped to have some in place in Towngate for 2016. There would also be a street party on Sun 12<sup>th</sup> June, to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

### **(ii) Guiseley Wells improvements**

JK and LK attended a meeting with Alan Weeks of Incredible Edible, Peter Woods, a local community gardener and Paul Tomlinson a landscape designer to discuss the issue of improvements to the setting of Guiseley Wells rather than the ugly expanse of tarmac left by the Developer of Springhead Mills. It had been agreed to include a community artwork and JR would raise funds via the ANDF.

### **(iii) Otley's Welcome Walk**

ANDF had been asked to contribute information to a new walk through Aireborough by OWW. Tony Denton had been asked.

### **(iv) Change of meeting evening at the request of CW**

It was suggested that we meet every six weeks instead of four. To be discussed at the next meeting. It was decided to invite the people who had co-ordinated the sustainability appraisals to the meeting and co-opt them to the Board.

### **(v) Housing Needs Surveys**

FIC reported that to date he had 176 returns and really needed 500. The process has been hampered by the survey the proposed Guiseley Town Council posted to every house in Guiseley which had confused the residents as some mistakenly think they have already completed our form.

The meeting closed at 9.55pm

**Date of Next Meeting. Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2016, 7.15 at the Station Hotel.**