

AIREBOROUGH NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Designing A Thriving Place

Action Minutes for Management Board Meeting Wednesday 17th September 2014 at
7.30 pm
The Hare and Hounds Menston

Present

Jennifer Kirkby, Christine Schofield, Frank la Corte, Richard Webster, Nigel Wilson and Liz Kirkpatrick

1. Apologies

Graham Latty, Ian Dawes, Lynda Kitching, Steve Howarth, Joan Roberts, Jonathan Hart Woods, Clive Woods, Alec Denton, also Ryk Downes.

2. Minutes of the last meeting and Matters arising.

- i. Lynda asked via email that the paragraph about the LDF be amended by deleting the statement that the 8000 homes planned for the city centre are apartments, as it is to be developed for families with family homes.
- ii. Frank voiced frustration in trying to get quantitative on Infrastructure. He had spoken to local dentists about their patient figures. Frank had also asked for input from our councilors on infrastructure issues but had had little or no response. **Everyone agreed that we were not getting sufficient input and cooperation from our councilors.**

Action

- 1. Frank and Christine to liaise on dentist issues
- 2. Rather than approaching our councilors by email or phone, make appointments to talk to them face to face in order to extract the information we need.
- 3. Build forum links with the councilors
- 4. Build relationships around the councilors with developers etc.

iii A letter has been sent from the forum to Eric Pickles. It was one based on a pro forma personalized by at least seven other groups in our area. Stuart Andrew and other MPs have written in a similar vein, asking for the housing target to be reduced.

iv At a recent transport hearing an inspector made a remark that he said was quoted from Clive Woods, that the A65 was not as congested as people were making out. There is plenty of evidence to the contrary but the remark was publicised. **Action: Jennifer to talk with Clive about follow up action**

3 AGM

- i Changes to the constitution recommended before the AGM in the light of experience

Each change which is printed in red on the attached constitution document was agreed by the board.

ii The draft agenda was discussed.

Liz has sent out invitations to all members and to date have over twenty who have replied that they will be attending.

Draft Agenda

Opening Address, to cover past activity including presentation

Accounts

Ratification of Vision

(This was put together with the help of CAFE from work done by the membership, and it has been circulated for comment and been used. However, Leeds want to see it put to a vote before they will accept it.)

Action: The vision will be emailed to the membership along with the Agenda with a request for comments.

Programme of Work discussion and ratification

Election of Management Board

Action: Jennifer to devise a nomination form for the membership to be emailed with the Agenda and Vision.

If any member wishes to be considered for a management roll they must have a nominator and seconder and email these to the secretary before the AGM. There will be no nominations from the floor at the AGM.

Formation of sub groups from members.

Action: Jennifer to devise a form for members to sign up for topic groups to be emailed with the Agenda

It was decided that at this stage we would not have an outside speaker, just concentrate on the business to be done.

The possibility of an emailed or postal vote was discussed but it was decided that for the first AGM we would stick with voting in person. This does not rule out the possibility for the future.

A membership drive was discussed.

An exhibition and tea, in the Foyer would then round off the meeting.

Action: Liz to liaise with Richard on the exhibition and displays.

Action : Liz to organise vintage tea

Fund raising -Joan has been asked if she could look at fund raising on the day, and how that could be achieved.

Action : Liz to email all members re the AGM with the vision , Agenda and the topic forms

4 Neighbourhood Plan Policy

Board members had done some research on what other NDP areas had been going to get ideas for the ANF's NDP.

- From the research into existing neighbourhood plans the following possible ideas were raised.
- NDOs Neighbourhood Development Orders carried greater powers.
- We might look in to the possibility of a "heart" for Guiseley.
- Looking to improve Nunroyd Park as a hub for our green spaces and people routes.
- We ought to look at traffic management
- Should we have a member of council on the steering group
- That the type of new houses built should reflect existing vernacular architecture
- We should think of having a housing needs survey, housing needs v housing desire. This was thought to be an important step to take. **Action : JK to formulate one via topic group.**
- The encouragement of microbusinesses, perhaps by NDO.
- Some reasons why other NPs had been rejected or had to be radically amended were lack of sufficient interaction with residents to get their opinions, and not enough quantitative information.
- Some innovative ways of traffic and transport surveys were found if we should need them.
- If some sites earmarked for development were too large, then perhaps only parts of them should be used and other smaller sites found.

5 AOB

- WWI Memorial Garden.** A committee has been busy organizing a community garden in Nunroyd Park and a consultation has begun into its siting. It was agreed that we should help publicise the consultation via our website and coordinate the responses from there. **Action JK to put article on website**
- Cycle Path Consultation.** This was happened upon by accident when looking for information on the WW1 garden. The West Yorkshire cycle map is being updated but it doesn't come anywhere near Aireborough. The consultation is asking cyclists which routes they use with comments about suitability and safety. It was agreed that this could be an opportunity to help their research and also gather information for ourselves. **Action A temporary topic group to be created to facilitate this and JK to post the consultation on ANF website asking for comments. Christine to speak further with Russell Oakes. Appeal for volunteers at AGM.**
- Rawdon and Rawdon Parish Council.** It was suggested that perhaps one of the members of the management board could support David Ingham in liaising with Rawdon Stakeholders, including the Parish Council. **Action : Nigel was willing to take on this role together with stakeholders from Nether Yeadon, Westfield and New Scarborough. DI to set up a meeting with RPC. .**

6 Date of the next meeting. This will be the AGM on 27th September.