

AIREBOROUGH NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT FORUM



Minutes of the Neighbourhood Planning Team Meeting 16.11.16 held at the Station Hotel Guiseley

Present

Jennifer Kirkby, Frank la Corte, Liz Kirkpatrick, Richard Webster, Roger Halliwell, David Bowe, Robert Turner, Darren Sanderson and Phil Dawson.

1. Apologies

Roger Hawkins, Alan Oldfield, Lynda Kitching, Christine Schofield, Stuart Andrew, Charlotte Couper, Ryk Downes, Clive Woods and Graham Latty.

2 and 3. Update on the progress of the NP and the Urban Character Study

JK informed us that the NP was progressing and that we were continuing to gather information from the community which was being used by professionals to produce our evidence documents.

The Landscape Study is in the process of being written up by Tom Lonsdale and the Ecology Study is in its second draft from Richard Wilson.

We are currently in the process of fundraising for our Urban Character Study and are quietly confident that with the grant from Locality, a further grant from LCC facilitated by Graham Latty and generous donations from the community via Local Giving that we can ask a consultant to make a start on the work.

Action: Potential consultants had been looked at, including AECOM, and it was agreed to commission Urban Glow Design, due to their knowledge of the area and ability to do all we required on the project.

4. The Housing Target Review and Councillor Andrew Carter's White Paper.

Councillor Andrew Carter presented a White paper on a housing target review at the full LCC council meeting earlier this week. It transpires that a full housing review was being initiated (as reported at the ANDF AGM in September). LCC now officially has no 5 year Housing Supply and as a result all their housing policies and targets are out of date. Designations no

longer apply, although at the moment Green Belt designation still stands, however a recent judicial president has been set which may mean that Green Belt Status can be revoked. Edge Analytics have begun to look at the Office for National Statistics figures and will be putting initial findings to Development Plans panel. (It is widely thought that the housing target based on ONS statistics should be nearer 40,000 than 70,000). LCC are to produce a revised SHMA (Strategic Housing Market Assessment) which will take 16 months.

The new Neighbourhood Planning Bill is putting more emphasis on community involvement and with this in mind JK approached LCC to ask if NFs would be included in the production of the new SHMA, and they have confirmed this will be the case.

Action: FC to lead on the SHMA work when it happens.

Last year Newcastle University began a study looking at some of our sites with sustainable and sympathetic design in mind. We are looking at opportunities to take this work forward.

Action: JK to contact Stewart Woodin from AECOM to explore which packages might help us most.

5 and 6 Christmas Light Switch on, increasing community awareness and Fund Raising

FIC and RW had a brainstorming session to explore ideas to raise money at the markets accompanying the Christmas light switch on at Guiseley and Yeadon. Possible fund raising activities and displays were discussed in depth.

Action: FIC, RW and EK to discuss further.

7 Update on the Guiseley Wells improvement scheme

Linden Homes have tarmaced a large area near the Wells which should have been finished in sets and Yorkshire stone flags which are eminently more in keeping with the historic importance of the area. JK attended a meeting earlier today to discuss the way forward on the community plans first put the LCC in spring 2016. It has been agreed that the Developers would upgrade the paving to the required standard, and then the ANDF would facilitate a Wells Improvement team to take ideas on further. Andy Graham from LCC Design Team had produced a concept for a potential final scheme with needed community consultation. Briony Sloan had produced a potential mosaic for the area, and Paul Tomlinson had looked at the idea of the pocket park.

Action: JK and LK to call a meeting of the Wells Improvement Team

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Guiseley Library is moving to the Leisure Centre as part of its £1.2 million refurbishment. It will now be a "Community Hub". JK has asked if it would be possible to have a space for an Urban Room which is being considered. It was agreed this should be considered if possible.

Briony Sloan and Erica Ward have come up with some ideas for the WW1 garden in Nunroyd Park and would like to take them forward. **They would like to meet with the forum to discuss their ideas.**

BT is decommissioning some of their iconic red telephone boxes in the area and have asked community groups if they would like to adopt them. They have been used to house defibrillators, for small lending libraries and mini information centres. **JK is approaching groups who might be interested and will post on our website for comments. The fact that they might attract antisocial behaviour was raised.**

Darren Sanderson has been recording views, people and places across Aireborough for the last 18 months. His aim was to raise awareness of the place we live and of the beauty of our surroundings. He has produced a calendar with the best loved photos of the area which will be on sale at the Christmas Markets. He is also planning photographic walks around Aireborough for children and adults with an historic anecdotal aspect.

On Monday 21st November AVSED are having an open day where their new minibus will be unveiled.

The next NPT meeting will be held on January 18th, followed by the 15th March and May 17th. All have been booked for 7.15 at The Station

The meeting was closed at 9.25