

AIREBOROUGH NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT FORUM



Minutes of The Neighbourhood Planning Team Meeting Held at The Station Hotel Guiseley 18/01/2017 7.15 pm

Present

Bill Hudson, Peter Breaks, Roger Davis, David Bowe, Frank La Corte, Roger Halliwell, Jennifer Kirkby, Liz Kirkpatrick, Shirley Gilks, Richard Webster, Charles Haig, Brian Broughton, Graham Latty, Phil Dawson, Joyce Simpson, Roger Hawkins, Clive Woods

Apologies

Maureen Cooper, Colin Campbell, Paddie Breeze, Ryk Downes, Ken Cothliffe, Robert Turner, Lynda Kitching, Darren Sanderson

Matters arising from the last meeting.

JK has contact Stewart Woodin from AECOM to explore the possibility of taking up one of their packages of work to help towards the Masterplan. Funds of over £130 were raised at the Christmas Fairs.

Treasurer Resignation

Our Treasurer, Ken Gillow has had to stand down because of ill health. Until a more permanent candidate can be found, the steering committee agreed that Peter Kirkby would take up the post. The Forum was asked if anyone had any objection to this appointment - none was raise.

Update on The Site Allocation Plan and related issues

- In June, small amendments were made to some of the allocated sites in Aireborough, reducing housing numbers to some and changing boundaries to others. FC is exploring the details.
- LCC are expecting to submit a revised SAP in the summer, so it is unlikely that there will be an Inspector's hearing before autumn.. Therefore the SAP is unlikely to be adopted before 2018. In the meantime LCC no longer have a 5 year housing supply which leaves developers free to apply for planning permission on sites not allocated in the SAP - although green belt is still designated as such and would need very special circumstances. Many councils are in the same predicament, not able to fulfil a 5 year housing

supply and developers are taking advantage of the situation through appeals.

- The housing target of 70,000 is being reviewed and a new SHMAA is being reassessed; some Neighbourhood Planning Groups will be involved including the ANDF.
- The Neighbourhood Planning Bill currently going through parliament will give slightly more power to NDPs to shape the place they live. It is mooted that if there is a NP, then a 3 year land supply will be acceptable.
- The new Housing White Paper continues to be delayed and its content is unknown. MPs Stuart Andrew and Greg Mulholland continue to be actively involved in tackling issues with the NPPF especially those that affect Aireborough. The Bradford Core Strategy is still on pause since the request by Shipley MP Philip Davies.
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Our Focus

- Be ready for the Inspector's hearing in the Autumn
- Have all our evidence from our various studies put together in an evidence report by the Summer 2017. Many NP's have failed due to lack of evidence and community involvement.
- Feed our housing report into the SHMAA, when the process starts.
- Formulate our policies which will drive the Neighbourhood Plan. A document with potential policy proposals has been started - and the Forum will start looking at that in the near future.
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Members took turns in identifying and discussing the focus of the plan they wanted to see - additions to the above included -

- A strong focus on mixed housing and design as detailed in the ANDF Housing Report.
- It will be important to put the stress on infrastructures i.e. schools, water and sewerage systems.
- PD will look at policies to do with air pollution and aspirational policies on the environment to tackle sustainability and wellbeing issues.
- Find ways to tackle the issues to alleviate traffic congestion - innovation will be needed, as much of the problem is down to strategic traffic planning.

The Urban Study

This Study has now been briefed to a consultant, and most of the funding raised. There are two community engagement Urban Character workshops to be held at the end of January - members were encouraged to invite friends and neighbours to go, as well as go themselves.

Other Projects

Transport, The Wells area and Shared Space

CW is contacting LCC with regard to their transport policy.

Within the Aireborough Urban Character Study we will be identifying footpaths and cycle ways and how they can be improved. In the future the Forum could support other bodies for funding for such improvements.

We have some ideas for the improvement of the Wells area in Guiseley, making it 'shared space' and reducing the vast areas of tarmac recent developers have imposed on the area.

The Woodland Project

As part of their South Pennine Woodland Project Pennine Prospects have agreed to include our area in the study. The project will be led by an archaeologist from 3rd to 5th April and we will be looking for volunteers to seek out possible ancient woodland.

The meeting was closed at 9.15pm. The next meeting will be held at the same venue and time on Wednesday March 15th