

MINUTES OF EYNESHAM FUTURES STEERING GROUP MEETING HELD AT 7.30 pm
ON TUESDAY 25TH AUGUST 2015 IN THE BARTHOLEMEW ROOM, EYNESHAM

Present: Richard Andrews (RA), Jane Baldwin (JB), Eleanor Chance (EC), Sue Chapman (SC), Peter Emery (PE), Sue Johnson (SJ), Charles Mathew (CM), Posy Parrinder (PP), Steve Parrinder (SP), Scott Roberts (SR), Dennis Stukenbroeker (DS), Angie Titchen (AT). SP had agreed to take minutes.

Apologies: Jane Osborne, Marion Sheppard, George Smith, Nina Turner, Rolando Medina, Mike Nightingale.

1. DECLARATIONS OF ANY PERSONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: None

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: It was agreed that the public would be welcome to contribute to discussions throughout the meeting.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 22/7/15: The date on the draft Minutes was amended but otherwise they were accepted as an accurate record.

4. MATTERS ARISING:

- Meetings with developers: PP said that it was considered too soon to go ahead with these.
- Draft letter to David Cameron and copies to the leaders of WODC and OCC. PP's letter had been amended by RA and Eynsham Parish Council (EPC) (See Dropbox) It was agreed to send it asap on behalf of EPC and arrange a meeting with David Cameron seeking help and advice. RA, SC, EC and AT volunteered to attend. PP to contact D Cameron's agent. A press release would follow such a meeting.

5. CORRESPONDENCE: Briefly discussed and noted

6. REPORTS OF TASK GROUPS:

Housing:

A Report, 'ISSUES FOR EYNESHAM'S NP – FROM OUR REVIEW OF DOCUMENTS/POLICIES SO FAR' (See Dropbox) had been produced by the task group and was discussed.

2ii. SR from 'Polar' contributed his experience of the difficulties of recruiting because of the problems with renting/buying in this area.

2vi. It was pointed out that that there was another Traveller site at Barnard Gate and an unofficial site on the bridle path next to the Millenium Wood. The issue of provision for Travellers will be included in the parish wide questionnaire.

3. Green issues should also be addressed in the questionnaire.

- 4iii. It was agreed that the same question on affordable housing should be asked.
- 4v. It was agreed that every development option should be put forward, including consideration of sites to the north of the village.

Landscape and Design:

The task group have discussed WODC's Design Guide which is very similar to the previous. More research needs to be done on landscape issues, particularly the status quo of public spaces in the village. There is a lot of overlap with Environment. Meeting between PP and Nina Turner to be arranged.

Transport/Infrastructure

No Report. DS stated that EPC are making a response to current proposals in OCC's Local Transport Plan. Green Tea have suggested a car sharing scheme. There was a discussion about the proposed Park and Ride and the lack of research about its siting and impact. RA stated that this was not an issue relevant to the Neighbourhood Plan.

Business:

It was proposed that SR might head up this group. However a possible conflict of interest was raised and RA suggested that SR could contribute more valuably on an informal basis – agreed. SR agreed to contact a colleague at Siemens – they could formulate structural and infrastructural 'needs' which the NP could take into account. SR agreed to become a full member of EFSG.

History:

Notes have been sent to RA for the Scoping Report. More needs to be done to flesh out/provide more detailed proposals on how best to protect our heritage and the historic environment with reference to WODC's Design Guide.

Health:

AT made reference to West Oxfordshire's Clinical Care Commissioning Group. They are now aware of our presence. Changing demographics and increased housing were major factors in service degeneration. SJ stated that lack of trained doctors and increasing part-time staff were key issues. It was agreed to write to the Practice Manager for a response to future developments in the village. SJ agreed to become a full member of EFSG

Environment:

The group has made its contribution to the Scoping Document. Ros Kent's 2 contributions are on Dropbox. It was suggested that as the Code for sustainable homes had been abandoned by the government, any proposals in our NP might have to be advisory in status and would not be enforceable.

Gravel:

EPC's response to OCC proposals is on its way and will be challenging a no. of issues including a request that the area to the north-west of the A40 should not be part of a potential exploitation site.

7. PROJECT PLAN PROGRESS: (See Dropbox for 3 documents produced by RA)

- i. It was agreed to approach Vincent Goodstadt to have a look at the final draft.
- ii. RA asked if task groups could use the community engagement report to make links between the Scoping Document and what people have said.
- iii. RA suggested that the resident's questionnaire should go out in the next couple of weeks. It was felt that it should be issued topic by topic rather than all in one go.
- iv. AT agreed to send the Community Engagement Report to *The Eynsham News*.
- v. RA's 'Update on Neighbourhood Plan Progress' for *The Eynsham News* was approved (See Agenda Item 9)
- vi. PP to suggest dates for a public meeting in October and to contact Rachel Budd for the village hall.

8. POSSIBLE OPTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT (Official Process Item)

A brief and very general discussion ensued with some reference to the industrial site to the south of the village and the decisions that need to be made about future developments. Due to time constraints a full discussion was postponed to the next meeting.

AOB: None. The meeting closed at 9.45pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 29th September. SJ volunteered to take the minutes.