

Meeting of Handforth Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Meeting of: Handforth Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group held on Tuesday 20th March 2018 at 6.30 pm, The Youth Centre, Old Road, Handforth.

Minutes

Present: A Comiskey Dawson, R Small, D Pincombe, B Shenton, S Moore,
C Samson, R Higham, & A Murdoch

129. To receive apologies for absence.

G Aspinall & M Bishop.

130. Minutes of the meeting held on 16th January 2018

R Small noted that the comments re: the LTP had been returned to CEC and that there was no further update. A Murdoch informed the group that he had contacted Jeremy Owens recently; however there was no update on the progress on CIL after the CE CIL consultation. The secretary reported that the end of grant outcome form had been completed for the second tranche of the MyCommunity/Locality grant, and that of the £4,550.00 requested, all had been used with the exception of £252.00 which needed to be returned to Groundwork UK. The secretary noted that it would be advisable for the group to apply for further funding from MyCommunity/Locality for further consultancy fees as well as the cost of printing the final version neighbourhood plan and flyers advertising the date of the NP referendum. The group unanimously agreed to apply for a further £3,000.00 funding to complete the neighbourhood plan.

Minutes approved.

131. R Small informed the group that so far the Regulation 16 consultation for the NP had only received 8 responses, 3 from statutory consultees and 5 positive comments from residents. Only one member of HNPSG had currently submitted a comment and R Small encouraged all present at the meeting to submit a positive response to the consultation. R Small noted that this was now the 5th week of the consultation period and that he had been attempting to get Handforth residents engaged in the process. He also felt it could be useful to put a poster up on the Parish Council notice boards to help inform residents. A Murdoch noted that the inspector would be checking all the publicity associated with the NP and therefore it would be a good idea. The group agreed to proceed with putting posters into the notice board and if possible onto social media and the press.

R Small also noted receipt of an email from Lisa Reeves of Wilmslow.co.uk enquiring as to the extension of the deadline for the Regulation 16 consultation deadline and to give a quote regarding the current responses received.

132. Tom Evans contacted the Chair and secretary recently with details of the intended selection of Independent Examiner who will scrutinise the plan following the regulation 16 consultation. After reviewing the proposed inspector's resume, as well as his report on the Bollington neighbourhood plan, the secretary contacted Bollington town council. Bollington town council reported that the inspector had been firm but fair, and had backed CE planners comments, but had retained the core essence of the Bollington NP in his examination. It was agreed by the group that Handforth NPSG accept Andrew Mead as the selected examiner for the HNP. A letter confirming this was sent to Tom Evans at CE neighbourhood planning to confirm the group's wishes.

Noted that the bulk of the examination would be a desk based exercise, however the examiner would make a visit to the parish at some point during the examination period. Any questions raised by the examiner would be referred to Kirkwells before being answered by the HNPSG.

133. R Small currently felt that it was in Andy Frost's remit to limit the amount of S106 / CIL money available for projects from the NCGV to be spent in Handforth. However, after consultation with Handforth Library services managers a submission for S106 to be spent on Handforth library has been submitted to Frost Planning. A deposition from FoHS regarding disability access at Handforth station and a case for providing access for all drawn up by FoHS has also been sent to Frost Planning.

Noted that A Murdoch and R Small will meet with Andy Frost on 22nd March 2018 to discuss matters further.

R Small also informed the group that there would be a meeting held at Moore Secure concerning car parking in Handforth village and what further measures could be taken to alleviate the situation. This meeting will take place on 23rd March 18 at 11:00am. R Small invited comment from the group for ideas to share at this meeting. These included extending car parking at Handforth medical centre by building on the site of the former Superloo. It was suggested that a car park could be created behind the Willows dental surgery though this would require liaison between Emersons (gateway from the Paddock service road required) and the owners of the surgery. Building a station car park on the empty field adjacent to the Youth Centre was considered vital. The group were keen that any ideas coming from HNPSG did not conflict with the current policies within the HNP, and that it was possibly not advisable to advocate any loss of green space within the village centre for extra parking spaces.

134. R Small circulated a questionnaire received from the latest round of SEMMM consultation; he invited the group to provide responses via email so that HNPSG could submit a group response. The secretary advised that the best closing date for this would be

27th March, as there would be a drop in session held regarding the SEMMM consultation at Poynton Civic hall on that date from 3pm until 8pm. A few ideas of problems currently experienced in Handforth were: Traffic congestion, inadequacy of public transport links and disability access to Handforth Station. Also ideas for improvements included: Better public transport and modes of public transport, Access for All at Handforth station and the construction of a new station car park.

135. None.

Date of next meeting TBC

Close of meeting. At 7:54pm

Action	By Whom	When By
Meeting with Andy Frost of Frost Planning	AM / RS	22/03/2018
Car Parking meeting at Moore Secure	All	23/03/2018
Regulation 16 consultation period ends on 03/04/18	All	03/04/2018
Submit comments to Regulation 16 consultation	All	03/04/2018
New application to MyCommunity/Locality for £3,000.00	The Secretary / RS	From 01/04/2018
Advertise Regulation 16 Consultation as widely as possible	The Secretary / RS	ASAP
Respond to email from Lisa Reeves at Wilmslow.co.uk	The Secretary	ASAP
SEMMM consultation drop in session @ Poynton Civic Hall	All	27/03/2018

Roger Small
Chairman

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