

Broomfield Neighbourhood Plan

Notes of Steering Group Meeting

Held on Tuesday 6th October at 7.30 pm delayed to 8:00 pm

Via Zoom Meeting

Present: John Blake, Angela Thomson, Sue Hubble, Peter Marriage, David Howell, Duncan Coles
IP (Places4People) arrived at approx.. 9.15 pm)

30.20. Apologies for absence: Karen Hurrell,

31.20. Declarations of Interest: None

32.20. To approve Notes of the meetings held on 1st September 2020 - Approved

33.20. Matters Arising and Comments from Parish Council/Planning Committee – No comments

34.20. Finance Report

SH commented that funds are in place to meet Places4People's quote. Budget for 2021/22 is awaited.

35.20. Policy Writing

a) Policies

Steering Group comments have been forwarded to IP. IP will revise policies and text where appropriate and return to the Group asap.

b) Views Document

JB had written up some further descriptions of views mentioned in the Landscape Appraisal and had circulated these to the Group. Photographs of various areas were discussed and there appeared to be only a small amount missing. PM and DC were requested to choose the best views from their stock of photos taken last year. To avoid confusion, it was suggested that views should be numbered before sending to JB in batches for final decision.

Updates on:

36.20 Site Assessment Exercise

A document outlining the rationale for deciding which sites to consider further had been circulated. It was agreed that the 2 small employment sites that had been put forward were not needed. The document was then approved. It was noted that in due course an introduction to the document will need to be drafted before it can be published.

37.20 Community Aspirations

It was felt that, although it is easy to put forward community aspirations, what we actually need to show is "how" and "what" we can do to achieve them. Discussion took place and JB said he would draft a list of what we may be able to achieve, omitting those items we cannot. The Group were requested to email JB with any further comments or suggestions.

38.20 Updates on:

a) Infrastructure

- Agreement in place for second part of the cycle path feasibility study.

b) Masterplanning SGS8

- JB said he has not yet had a chance to contact the agents but will do so soon.

Communications

39.20 What we should publicise over the coming month?

Website - SH commented that she is not happy with the website and this requires further thought. It was agreed that a good website would be very important when we come to the Reg. 14 consultation, especially since more face-to-face consultation may be very difficult with Covid restrictions

40.20 Any other business

Response to Government White Paper

It appears that neighbourhood plans may be relegated if the measures outlined in the White Paper go ahead; and the number of new dwellings allocated to Chelmsford would considerably increase.

IP commented that Local Plans are never detailed whereas Neighbourhood Plans give the details from a local perspective.

Kemi Badenoch MP, will be asked to Zoom a surgery meeting so questions may be answered.

41.20 Items for next Agenda Website

42.20 Meeting closed 10:00 pm

Next Zoom meeting – Tuesday 3 November at 7.30 pm

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Chairman

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Date