

WATLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN FORUM

Meeting of the Development Sites Group on 9th November 2016 at 6.30p.m.

Present: Tony Powell (Facilitator), Gill Bindoff, Ian Hill, Keith Jackson, Terry Jackson, Peter Richardson.

Apologies for absence: Nick Greaves, Tony Williamson.

Declarations of Interest: none.

Workshops of 17th and 26th October: notes of the workshops had been circulated and were agreed to be a good record. The process of selecting preferred sites had made progress and will be completed when traffic data is available.

Report on the meeting with HCA regarding proposed development at Chalgrove airfield:

- (i) GB, IH and PR attended a 'Strategic Infrastructure Corridors Workshop' organised by HCA on 31st October at the Lambert Hotel, Lewknor. The workshop had been arranged to bring together representatives of communities affected by the proposed development to raise their concerns, to present an update on traffic data provided by AECOM and to consider ways of working with communities to address key issues associated with the development. The 'edge street' concept which HCA has already looked at with Watlington was shown as a case study.
- (ii) A follow up workshop with the parishes in and around Watlington has been scheduled by HCA for 13th December. The Town Hall has been booked. It is not clear at this stage if HCA will propose a limit on the number of representatives from Watlington but TP and those who attended on 4th October will want to be there.
- (iii) There was a drop-in session organised by HCA at Chalgrove on 1st November and an 'open' meeting at Chalgrove attended by John Cotton and Adrian Duffield on 4th November. Both these meetings were attended by members of the DS Group but no new information emerged.

Draft input into the WNDP:

- (i) Although the WPC NP Steering Committee had approved a system of recording outcomes from the workshops, further proposals were made at the meeting. It was agreed that the presentation of the outcomes of selecting preferred sites will be discussed with Peter Canavan when he comes to Watlington on 11th November.
- (ii) TP has produced draft text for the WNDP. This was discussed. Some revisions will be made in line with comments received.
- (iii) It was agreed that a clear thread will be shown between the different elements of evidence used to select sites and the outcomes.
- (iv) The content of the information 'pack' to show Peter C. was agreed.
- (v) There was an in depth discussion about the inclusion of the small sites available for development in the eventual proposals included in the pre-submission WNDP.
- (vi) Possible options of combining sites were also discussed.

Meeting with Peter Canavan on 11th November:

- (i) PC is coming to advise on the progress of the WNDP
- (ii) The NDP Forum Coordination Group will present the draft being put together by Norman Perry
- (iii) TP will explain how the selection of sites has progressed. PC will be asked to comment on the process to date and to validate it. He will be asked to advise on the proposed next steps.

Further contact with site owners/developers:

- (i) Contact will be made with the Oxford Diocese regarding the site at The Rectory, Hill Road, now that the Rector has retired and moved out of the house.
- (ii) Contact will also be made again with Queensgate regarding the small site behind Buckland's Paddock, Cuxham Road.

Date of next meeting: it was agreed that the next meeting will be held on Monday 21st. November at the Community office at 7.30p.m.