

Watlington Neighbourhood Plan Forum

Coordination Group

Minutes of 25th meeting: 22/11/2016 – West Room 7:30 pm

Present: Gill Bindoff (Facilitator), Norman Perry, Keith Jackson, Pepita Bianchi, Pauline Harvey, David Cotterell

1. Apologies for absence:- Rebecca Broadbent, Tony Powell, Peter Richardson
2. Declarations of Interest – none
3. Minutes of the 09/11/2016 meeting were approved
[Action: KJ to arrange for publication]
4. Update on specification for Traffic consultants

In addition to the £4500 from Locality for a site specific impact study, DC has been working on a brief for traffic modelling with James Gagg at SODC to include the impact of traffic from the additional housing in Watlington and South Oxfordshire on the pinch point along Couching Street with and without a relief road and with other traffic management options. SODC is also planning a traffic modelling study in South Oxfordshire which will include the strategic impact of a B4009 based relief road around Watlington using the OCC traffic modelling application.

It is hoped that the SODC study will complete before Christmas and that the resulting data will be useful for the WNDP needs however the finer details still need to be worked out.

It is intended to have a joint meeting between the WNDP Forum SODC and OCC after the results of the SODC study are known.

The period during which the Locality Grant must be taken up has been extended to end March 2017.

5. Progress Reports.

SA Scoping Report:

PB has made good progress with this and has received useful comments from Fiona Mullins (Community First, Oxfordshire) and responses to draft from the Environment Agency, Historic England and Natural England.

Peter Canavan is also expected to respond to the draft when finalised.

Draft WNDP:

NP reported that this is now at draft 2 following the 11/11 workshop session with Peter Canavan with many of the tables and diagrams extracted and moved to topic documents which will be referenced from the main plan.

The sites on the final list when known will require revised descriptions and not use the current WAT1, WAT2 etc. identification scheme.

The final NDP can only have a single recommendation and not a 'choice' of recommendations.

The policies from the plan need to be extracted and presented to the WNDP SC at their next meeting (5th December)

[Action NP to circulate revised draft + other docs]

6. HCA / Chalgrove Airfield

The HCA have been meeting with parishes in the area including Britwell Salome, Cuxham and Pyrton. There will be an all day (10am-4pm) workshop with the HCA in Watlington Town Hall on 13 December. It is not yet known how many attendees from Watlington will be invited.

7. Watlington Christmas Fayre -3rd December 10-2

There will be an WNDP table at this event.

The Xmas card to be distributed at this event has been finalised for printing . Thanks to Peter Richardson for arranging this and also for arranging for Adina Campbell (BBC South presenter) to come to the Fayre and help to make a private video about the event.

Various members of the NP Forum will be on hand to help.

8 AOB

There will also be a get-together of all members of the Forum in particular for those who have been unable to participate in recent months on 7th December (7-9pm) in the West Room.

9 Next meetings

Tuesday 13th December West Room 7:30pm

Monday 16th January 2017 West Room 7:30pm