

FRADLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4th JANUARY 2017
7.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr Simon Roberts, Linda Wild, Richard Green, Sandy Carruthers

1 APOLOGIES: Jo Spence

2 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (7th December 2016)

The Minutes were accepted as a true record except for the reference to the meeting with Nigel Gough Associates Limited.

Following a request by the secretary to Mr Gough seeking approval for the Minutes of his informal meeting, taken by the PC clerk, to be attached to the Steering Group Minutes, the question of confidentiality was raised by Mr Gough. It was agreed that the clerk's Minutes would not be attached to ours and therefore the Minutes have been accepted minus the Nigel Gough Associates Limited Minutes.

SG Minutes will now be submitted to the Neighbourhood Plan website.

3 MATTERS ARISING

Grant: Simon has now managed to contact Greg Jones and obtained expenditure details submitted to Groundwork UK for the first grant so that information provided to Groundwork UK matches with expenditure.

Survey – distribution and retrieval has now been completed, with 244 returns. This is less than the last questionnaire, however it is considered to be adequate to provide sufficient information that we wish to gather for the Plan.

4 FINANCIAL REPORT

There has been no expenditure since the last meeting and the financial forecast remains on track.

5 SURVEY DATA INPUTTING

Members of the team were distributed with most of the Surveys and inputting by the team will commence at the earliest possible opportunity. It is anticipated that all data will be ready by the end of January 2017.

Action: All

6 ACTION PLAN UPDATES

Transport – Simon has sent further transport information to Navigus to be considered for the Transport Policy.

Open Spaces – Emer Costello, Navigus has now received a further copy of the Open Spaces Report.

Housing – Simon has sought Chris Bowden’s advice as to whether it is sensible to include a period of consolidation as part of the housing policy, which would mean a hold could be put on further housing for a short period to avoid disruption to residents and services. Unfortunately, the advice from Navigus was that it could be very difficult to pursue this plan of action and would probably end in a negative outcome.

Sports – Due to Jo’s absence there was no report on the review of the Sports Policy provided by Navigus. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Action: Jo

David Ward, Planning Director, Wilson Bowden Homes has now received the letter regarding the Hay End Lane development and provision of sports facilities. A detailed reply has been promised in the next week or two, following the Christmas break.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Draft Navigus Policies – it was agreed that Simon would request the PC clerk to make two copies of each policy so that at the next meeting these would be scrutinised in detail by the team to ensure that no improvements were needed.

Action: Simon

Simon would contact Navigus to see how far they have progressed with the remaining policies.

Action: Simon

Bridge Farm development – Information had been received that this development was on hold. However, upon investigation with Mike Brown, case officer, LDC and Highways Department there appeared to be no obvious reason for this.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 8th February 2017