



Onwardplan
for Odiham and
North Wamborough

ONWARDPLAN
MINUTES OF STEERING GROUP MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2014 AT 7.30 PM
in THE PARISH ROOM, ODIHAM

PRESENT:

Helen Fleming, Jeremy Fellows, Pam Verdon, Alison Tizard, Gill Warsop, Guy Holmes-Henderson, David Ellis, Jim Head, Philip James, Russ Haines, Liz Bourne (Towns Alive)

APOLOGIES:

Belinda Hallam, Rita Pennington, Jan Morton

1. Previous Minutes

The Minutes from both 30th July and 5th August were put forward for approval. Minor changes were made to the Minutes of 30th July and these were then both approved. Pam will put the approved Minutes in Dropbox.

2. Report from Parish Councillors

Jeremy reported that the Terms of Reference had not been included in the last PC Agenda so had not yet been considered by the Parish Council. There was discussion about the Hart Local Plan Drop in session to be held in the Cross Barn on 10th September (10.00 am – 7.00 pm). Hart council officers will be present to talk about the Hart Local Plan. There are 5 different strategies available for new development. Of great concern to Odiham and nearby villages is Option 5 which would mean that Odiham, Hook, South Wamborough, Greywell and Long Sutton would have to accept up to 1500 new homes. The Parish Council has organized a leaflet to be delivered to many addresses in the Parish but unfortunately not every address. Members of the Steering Group are asked to publicise this Drop In session as widely as possible to get people to attend and give their views. They should be encouraged to complete the Response Forms. These forms are available from the Library and also online if people cannot attend the day (www.hart.gov.uk/local-plan). Alison will draft an email that members can send out to contacts to encourage attendance.

Helen had attended a Hart Local Plan briefing and will put her notes in Dropbox. She reported that Hart appears to be willing to take into consideration areas which are preparing Neighbourhood Plans when they draw up their Local Plan, such that development site allocation will be made in places without a neighbourhood plan but not where a plan is in preparation.

She said that we need to be as far forward as possible by the New Year. It was decided that we should use Neil Homer, a consultant, to help with discussions with possible

landowners. A trained team is needed to work with Neil to identify and consult with landowners.

Action for all: Consider whether you are able to join this team and let Philip know.

3. Terms of Reference

These had been circulated prior to the meeting and members had put forward their comments. These were discussed and a final version was agreed by the Group. The final document is attached to these Minutes.

4. Progress

Alison reported on the formation of a logo and name:

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This was agreed by all to be an excellent idea. The domain of www.onwardplan.com has been secured and pages on Facebook and Twitter started. They will be having a meeting with a website designer, Nick Pye, to get the webpage up and running. A store of good parish photographs will be needed for the website. Once the website and email address is working someone will be needed to monitor the above media and direct things to the right people.

Attached to these Minutes is a Stakeholder map and members of the Group are asked to fill in as many contact names and details as they know in order to engage the community.

Actions for all:

Fill in the Stakeholder map

Volunteer needed for monitoring and directing e mails, etc.

Find photographs which would be suitable for website

Jim presented a spreadsheet showing the success of our community engagement so far in the 4 areas where we have had a stand. There have been a total of 213 cards returned with 86% in favour of a Neighbourhood Plan. Liz said that this is an excellent early response.

5. Data and Information

Gill reported that they have been working on going through all the information within the Hart website. There is a lot of detail and more volunteers are needed to help with gathering the information needed and formulating the policies.

6. Visioning Activity

Philip presented a Provisional Vision plan for all members of the Steering Group (attached) . Please complete this activity and return your answers for the meeting on 2nd October. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please let me have your answers before then as they are important to inform our way forward.

Action for all:

Complete visioning activity

7. Meeting with Planners on 23 September

Philip will invite Ken Crookes, Leader of Hart Council, to attend this meeting with members of the Steering Group. There will be a pre-meeting before the date to discuss what questions should be asked.

Since the meeting Ken has agreed to attend the meeting.

8. Finance

Guy requested that a budget plan be considered so that known costs can be planned for and monitored.