



Wolvercote Neighbourhood Forum

Steering Committee Meeting

Friday 3rd August 2018

2pm, The Garden Room, White Hart Inn, Wolvercote

Present: Cllr Steve Goddard, Christopher Hardman (Chairman), John Bleach, Sadie Paige, David Stone.

Apologies: Mary Brown, Cllr Paul Buckley, Cllr Angela Goff, Richard Lawrence-Wilson.

1. Minutes of the 29th June Steering Committee meeting were approved.

(Note that the meeting was devoted to the analysis of the Regulation 14 consultation feedback; decisions are recorded in the WNF Reg 14 Consultation Responses 180629 review spreadsheet.)

2. Matters arising.

SP provided an update on progress of the Draft Neighbourhood Plan. Key points:

- The Draft Plan and all other mandatory documentation was sent to Tom Morris (Oxford City Council) on 24/7/18, ahead of the 25/7/18 deadline
- TM will prepare paper and recommendations for the 18/9/18 City Executive Board meeting
- Assuming that the Draft Plan is approved for (six weeks) consultation, consultation should open shortly after the meeting

3. Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) report

The report commissioned by the ONPA (Oxford Neighbourhood Planning Alliance) and Annex A were circulated prior to the meeting. CH led the discussion related to the two reports. Key points:

- CIL can be spent on a wide range of new infrastructure projects
- Some NP's include policies that specify how CIL money should be spent... perhaps we should do this too.
- There are few examples of how CIL funding in neighbourhood forum areas is working
- There is a lack of clarity in Oxford City Council's CIL policy (i.e. the issue is more than the capital vs operational concern raised by Headington NF)

The following next steps, to take the report's recommendations forward, were agreed:

- ALL to review the two documents and forward any questions or concerns to CH and SP
- SP to convene a meeting of ONPA to discuss AS report, recommendations, and the way forward with OCC
- ONPA to arrange meeting with Patsy Dell (ideally before end September)

4. Updates on Major Developments

Oxford North

- Plans have been sent to Oxford City Council not yet on portal and deadline for responses not yet known
- Spacecraft have offered us a CD of the planning application and seven folders of printed application. CH has suggested Garden Room at White Hart as possible place to make printed materials available for review, and will also suggest somewhere closer to the development site, such as Jury's Inn, BMW garage
- PB and possibly SG will attend meeting on 7th August with Nick Church from Peter Brett Associates to discuss sustainable transport links, especially cycle tracks and footpaths, between Oxford North and its neighbourhood.

Wolvercote Paper Mill

- Thanks to our Councillors for helping to secure an extension of the consultation period to 23rd August
- Analysing the new documents to determine if/how consultation feedback has been processed is tortuous. MB/JP/CH to meet and review.

5. AOB

Character Assessments

Thanks to Anne Charles, Tony Joyce and Jo Malden for offering to help writing character assessments. DS and SP will cover area east of Banbury Road.

Environmental Consultancy

AS has offered the use of students to work on environmental project (s) in support of WNF priorities. His email circulated prior to meeting.

CH led the discussion and will respond to AS with two ideas:

1. Mapping green spaces and wildlife corridors (possibly extend to medical benefits of green spaces)
2. Measuring impact of development on air quality.

Millway Close

Planning application for development of this site has been submitted for third time 18/01371/OUT . Main concern raised by Oxfordshire County Council relates to transport development control and the lack of a Transport Plan for the site.

Oxford City Ward Boundary Changes

The Boundary Commission is currently consulting on the (many) changes to Oxford's ward boundaries. Wolvercote will be affected when changes come in 2020, but the physical definition of the Neighbourhood Plan Area will stay the same. *Note: reference to the ward in the Neighbourhood Plan will need to be changed.*

Finances

DS enquired about the state of the finances. We are waiting to hear from AG and SG regarding any possible grant funding from the City Council. There may be a need to fund

publicity/ awareness campaign related to the referendum, which may require further fund-raising activities. To be discussed further at our next meeting.

5. Date of next meeting

SP to arrange

Meeting closed at 3.50pm

Sadie Paige 05/08/18