

**Draft Minutes of
BOTTESFORD PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
STEERING GROUP MEETING**

7.00 p.m. Tuesday 25th June 2015 – Old School

Present:

Steering Group Members

Bob Bayman (BB) - Chair
Richard Simon (RS) - Clerk
Colin Love (CL)
Susan Love (SL)
Carl Afonso (CA)
Cob George (CG)
Dermot Daly (DD)

Helpers

Mike Roberts (MR)
Anne Ablewhite (AA)
Neville Spick (NS)
Annie Newman (AEN)
Val Lever (VL)
Leigh Donger (LD)
Bob Lockey (RL)
Karen Afonso (KA)
Will Tobin (WT) (John Tobin in attendance)
Bob Sparham (BS)

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Apologies for absence

Pru Chandler, David Wright, John Preston, Alan Gough, Karen Gough, Don Pritchett, Richard Coombs

3. To confirm and agree minutes of the meeting 25th March 2014

Agreed

4. Matters arising and actions from those minutes

None

5. Presentation by Richard Partington and Adam Cornish of Studio Partington

CL gave an introduction to Studio Partington and how we had learned of them in connection with Derwenthorpe.

Planning Authority and builder pressure, along with the 5 year land plan tends to maximize dwellings per hectare and he advised that we were too early in the process to get too involved in design.

*RP then showed us **Howden**, near Beverley a 22 hectare development.*

In this they linked the green spaces in the development with existing park areas in Howden so that there were large strays of green – fingers reaching out into the development. Clear views of the Minster were to be maintained and the road network was made circuitous while the linking footpaths were short to encourage walking. Allotments were also used as leisure space. This produces a 30% increase in the size of the town.

Planning consultants were employed and the landowner was happy to take less money to provide a lower number of dwellings.

There was a difference between the principally Victorian feel to the existing town and the development and the use of 3D drawings help the argument for a non-highway orientated design.

*RP then showed us **Skipwith Park Farm**, near York a development of 15 dwellings, converting farm buildings to residences. Careful design on the properties facing the adjacent road ensured that the streetscape was unchanged by the development.*

Moving on to Derwenthorpe it was shown that the Poundbury scheme where parking was provided behind houses meant that access to the house from the car was via the back door so there was little activity on the street. Phase one of Derwenthorpe had a mixed approach to parking to ensure that there were people on the street.

Rowntrees strongly defended the agreed design principals and supported the Central Quality which demonstrated that expectations were being delivered.

The play areas are of high quality with sculpted timber swings climbing frames etc. It is necessary for maintenance of such installations to be of a high standard.

Reclaimed bricks were used for variation and softness as opposed to the mass produced hard edged, uniform bricks that feature in many modern developments.

The central Boiler House has a community space that is well used and important to the community. Houses are insulated under the roof line to maximize usable space and minimize heat loss.

Landowners need to sign up to the Neighbourhood plan.

CL commented that we had to be guardians of the plan and that he had been impressed that RP had only spoke of the buildings as homes and not properties.

RP and AC were thanked for their presentation.

6. Parish Council update and Budget Report

The report to the Parish Council included -

- i. the Residents Consultation on the 23rd June where maximum attendance was anticipated.
- ii. the visit to Derwenthorpe
- iii. the Hamilton-Baillie report where comments were requested.

An approximate cost for the schemes proposed were given as

Barkstone lane/High St/ Albert Street junction £55K-£75K

Market Square £110K

7. Anne Ablewhite – her concerns

Following receipt of a letter from AA by the clerk where concerns were expressed that the chair and vice chair were not dealing fairly with landowners it was felt appropriate to give her a space to share her concerns with the wider group.

AA queried why only Bottesford was being considered for development and not Muston, Normanton and Easthorpe. She also expressed a wish for smaller and infill developments to be included. She felt that this would have the support of residents rather than large developments.

It was agreed that we would seek to include the smaller developments in the plan if they were deliverable.

8. Selection of Neighbourhood Plan Logo.

A large number of proposals had been received from students at Bottesford High School and Jean Reavley and Annie Newman had made an initial choice but all the logos were laid out for the group to comment and select.

The quality of the submissions was very good and two were selected to be combined and for further development AEN was asked to send a letter of thanks to Bo Jones with our findings.

9. 2015/2016 Plan

a. It was agreed that a group would meet to write up the plan.(BB, RL, SL, CA, BS)

b. A grant of minimum £1k and maximum £8k is available for NPs this year. CA was asked to submit application proposals to the next meeting.

10. Planning

a) Feedback from Public Engagement Meeting

CL expressed thanks to all those that had made the Public Engagement Meeting a success.

DD commented that there had been lost opportunities in the PC/NP not getting involved with the Scarecrow Festival etc.

b) Visit to Derwenthorpe –

Nothing further

c) Flood drawing update –

The amended drawing had been sent to the Environment Agency by CL and a meeting had been requested. We are awaiting a reference number.

d) Housing Need Survey-

The questionnaires have been delivered and will be distributed to volunteers this weekend.

The return date is the 31st July with the report being available at the end of August.

e) Sustrans Update –

Residents support the scheme to build the eastern option and this agrees with both the Steering Group and the Parish Council. Funding is available but as yet unallocated and it was hoped that construction might start next year.

MR has sent the relevant Landowner contact details to Sustrans.

11. Bringing together the work of the Theme Groups

a) Progress to date and next steps

RL had drafted a letter to Councillor Rhodes regarding a bus service to Bingham but queried how the figures for anticipated demand might be achieved. There was also the issue of funding the service. BB requested that RL proceed with sending the letter.

b) Communications –

Dilys Shepherd had offered to assist with future communications.

CL confirmed that the data cable being laid by Virgin in Belvoir Road was related to the Barratt development, Virgin apparently being the preferred partner to Barratt.

c) Facilities and Services –

A list of Facilities and Services in the Parish had been produced and in part was presented on the Public Engagement Meeting on the 23rd June.

d) Preparation for bringing together a Draft Plan -

It was agreed that BB, SL, and CA and Bob Sparham would meet to write up the plan.

12. Next month's requests of PC

Enquire about BT and Virgin Media installations

11. Any other business

None

12. Agenda items for next meeting

None

13. Date of next Steering Group meeting. – Wednesday 22nd July 2015

Confirmed dates for 2015

All at 7.30 in the Old School

Wednesday 19th August

Wednesday 23rd September

Tuesday 27th October

Wednesday 25th November

Thursday 17th December

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