

Minutes of Steering Group Meeting 20th June 2016

Attendees:

Neil Dickens
Beth Stedman
David Lett
Janette Eustace
Neil Shefford
Steve Nicholl
Andrew Pryke
Dianan Fawcett
Andy Chapell
Gill Morgan

1. Apologies:

Jenny Wodey
Lois Allard

2. Minutes of meeting 5th May 2016

All agreed

3. Matters Arising

There was a revue of the Public Consultation on 16th May 2016

All thought it went well, even with a smallish turnout and that the comments were helpful.

4. Chairman's Report

This had been emailed to all and was discussed

ND has planned a 1to1 session at the Rec. on Saturday 9th July, SN stated that he would be willing to help out.

The PC is producing a template of headings for the AVDC. It was asked if the information was to be put into the public domain and what are sensitive issues. It was decided that if the information was commercially sensitive it should not be released. It will not be an 'open door' in the Monthly Report i.e. we only send them what we want them to see.

Aims –

Targets

Issues raised by the Working Groups

Achievements of the Working Groups

ND is to visit some of the adjoining Parishes so that it can be understood as what they are doing.

AP, DL and ND have had a meeting with Mr & Mrs Hunt – TBD

5. Update on Planning Applications for Soulbury Road and High Street North

JE stated that there was no update as yet

6. Monthly Reporting to PC and AVDC

See Chairman's Report

7. Update from Chair of Housing Groups Meeting with AVDC

AP and George Gator met with the AVDC with an assessment of sites and asked what, within the

Parish was a sustainable development. There seemed to be no answer to this (AP to update)
Several points were raised, where is available land, is achievable and does it meet the needs of the village?

Wingrave NP has a template using an assessment criteria (red, amber, green) all thought that this was a good idea for Stewkley. All to give suggestions on the scoring criteria to AP at the next meeting on 6th July.

It was decided that is essential to know whom are the landowners around Stewkley ND and AC to find out and then talk to the landowners. SN stated that it would be an approach to have a ‘Landowner Corporation’ that would be community led for a future development plan – A Community Land Trust Model. DL thought that this was a good idea as the landowner net gain is better

It was asked if we could use the Public comments from the consultation as a useful criteria NP stated that some were sensible to use.

HELAA assessments seem to show that we only have two sites for development in Stewkley. Stewkley has now been classified as a medium sized village and has been allocated a minimum of 121 houses by 2033. However, as the AVDC could not seem to answer any with regards to ‘sustainable’ ND thought it might be worth writing the Ministry for a definitive answer.

Foul Drainage –

This is overflowing and cannot take any more housing and the sewage farm can no longer cope now. A formal response is needed from Thames Water. Either a formal meeting or a consultant needs to write a report, this would need to be an independent assessment. AP has a Public Health Engineer in his business who can write a report for Thames Water (all thought this was a good idea).

8. Steering Group participation with Working Groups

ND handed out a leaflet for each SG member to attend a WG Meeting. Each member to report back at next meeting with regard to what research has been done and anything that is ongoing, any problems, etc.

9. AVDC Consultations

ND asked if anyone would like to attend with him the consultations at Newton Longville on the 27th July or Winslow on the 10th August. DL and NP stated that they would go to Winslow

10. Communications

There is nothing for the next newsletter except the 1 to 1 consultation on 9th July which will be in The Grapevine

11. Any Other Business

Broadband – it was stated that Stewkley telephone exchange is out of date

It was thought that Broadband should be a paragraph within the NP (it is not a PC remit) and we are really at the behest of BT. It was suggested that other providers be looked at i.e. cable
JE reminded that meeting to ask what support requirements each WG need, e.g. a Consultant as funding must be gained.

NP stated that his WG will need a Consultant, an assessment will be needed before funding is asked for.

12. Date of Next Meeting

6th July 2016 7:30pm RBF