

Meeting of Handforth Neighbourhood Plan

Steering Group

Meeting of: Handforth Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, held on Tuesday 21st February 2017 at 6:30pm, The Youth Centre, Old Road, Handforth.

Minutes

Present: A Comiskey Dawson, R Small, D Pincombe, R Higham, B Shenton, S Moore, G Aspinall, M Bishop, C Samson, A Murdoch.

29. To receive apologies for absence.

A Murdoch, D Pincombe & S Moore.

30. Minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2017

Roger Small noted that Tom Evans from CEC had suggested that there was no need for a sustainability study in the Handforth NP; nor was there a need for a neighbourhood development or community right to build order.

Small non- strategic sites were not to be removed from the greenbelt.

There was legitimacy to discuss the access to the CS49 site in the Handforth NP.

The NP will last until 2030.

Provision of infrastructure within the NCGV will not be significant until the build reaches 300 to 400 houses.

Minutes of last meeting were approved

31. The secretary reported that at the last meeting of Handforth Parish Council, the council had approved two motions; the first, to approve the HNPSG appointment of Kirkwells as their planning consultant. The second was to approve the earmarking into a reserve for the next financial year, of the remaining unspent balance of the NP budget, for use in 17/18.

32. The secretary approached DCLG after the decision from CEC planning to not include the NCGV into the neighbourhood area. After received updated 2016 amended regulations from DCLG, this was sent to R Higham for scrutiny. Finding that the law rested with HNPSG, R Small drafted a letter to CEC planning challenging their decision. A response was received on the same day indicating that CEC planning has done a U-Turn on their decision after reviewing HNPSG's evidence. The NCGV has now been included in the Handforth designated area.

33. The secretary produced a report of the group's finances. This was accepted by all present and will be appended to these minutes.
34. Complaints about the questionnaire were received from a number of restricted access apartments in Handforth. Approximately 350 questionnaires were returned completed, representing a 10% return.
D Pincombe will contact the University of Manchester regarding the independent evaluation of the results.
C Samson and G Aspinall will volunteer to open up all the questionnaire envelopes.
35. It was agreed to appoint Kirkwells as the HNPSG's planning consultants.
The group agreed to proceed to areas covered up to the second stage payment in principle dependent upon a satisfactory review of their stage 1 works.
36. Grant application should only cover costs which will be incurred over the next six months.
It was decided to obtain three quotes for display boards to be presented to the group before deciding to include this in the grant application.
37. A number of non – strategic sites have been identified in Handforth, including the field adjacent to the Youth Centre which EoTN have considered use as a bus turning circle. R Small believes developers could apply to develop these 12 non - strategic sites. Possibilities about gauging public opinion about these sites could be sought from another delivered questionnaire. Also of need to assess is the development of social housing with site CS30.
38. R Small utilised a copy of a settlement hierarchy which placed Handforth as a key service centre, because of its proximity to the airport, Handforth Dean Retail Park and based on the number of performance car outlets in the parish.
39. R Small was to follow up engagement with various groups and bodies in Handforth including FOHS, Schools, Health Centres and Dental practices, EoTN, The Wilmslow Trust, The Wilmslow NP group and the Alderley & Wilmslow footpath preservation society.

The date of the next meeting will be 21st March 2017

Close of meeting. At 20:11

Action	By Whom	When By
Meeting with Great Places Housing group	AM/ RS	06/03/17
Engage Kirkwells to act as HNPSG's planning consultants.	The Secretary	ASAP
Contact the University of	DP	ASAP

Manchester		
To complete the traffic sections of the draft introduction	DP	When Applicable
Open questionnaire response envelopes	CS/ GA	ASAP
Obtain quotes for display boards	RS and the secretary	When Applicable
Contact groups for consultation	RS	ASAP
Inception Meeting with Kirkwells	All	ASAP

Roger Small
Chairman
21st February 2017