

DENMEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Meeting Notes – Meeting of the Steering Group **draft – E & OE (please inform me of those you find)**

Date of meeting Tuesday 25th March 2014 at 6.45pm in The Old School

Cll Neil Lander-Brinkley (NL-B)	Peter Ambrose (PA)
Cllr Kevin Andreoli (KA) (until 7.35pm)	Neil Rusbridger (NR)
D Cllr Patricia Stallard (PS)	John Knight (JK)
Cllr Malcolm Davies (MD)	

Notes taken by

Neil Lander-Brinkley

Next meeting

Steering Group (SG) on Thursday 10th April at 6.30 pm in the Old School

084/13NPSG Welcome & Apologies

NLB welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Felicity Hull (a nother commitment at the DAN youth club and Tony Daniells (the Clerk to the NPSG) who had been excused duties due to his heavy evening workload for DPC in recent weeks.

085/13NPSG Notes of the last meeting of the Steering Group

The notes for the meeting held on in two parts on 10th and 18th February were formally agreed as a true record of proceedings. The Chairman handed out copies of the minutes of the last meeting on 27th February for members to consider and formally agree at the next meeting.

086/13NPSG Presentations made to public meetings held to date

In invitation meeting (for those people on the e-mail contact list) had been held on 13th March and open meetings held on 20th and 24th March. The format of exhibition followed by a presentation was considered to be a success and the presenters NL-B, PA were thanked for their contribution. It was agreed that, based on the questions asked, the main areas of concern of residents are (i) the land to the rear of the Memorial Hall, owned by DPC, being used for houses even small houses for elderly people (ii) the drainage of the site at Kidmere and the potential for flooding in other parts of Anmore Road and (iii) the capacity of the foul water drainage in Anmore Road.

At 7.08 pm Cllr Karen Forster joined the meeting. She related how one of her neighbours in Soake Road, was supportive of the Plan but was worried about the lack of visibility of the Plan and the public meetings. This person had developed her own leaflet and is distributing it! It was agreed that the delivery of the Denmead Scene, with the flyer inside, had been delayed and was patchy. NL-B & NR had delivered 260 flyers in the vicinity of the DCC on Friday prior to the last Meeting and this had probably helped to raise numbers attending. There was some concern that people were not finding/reading the flyer even when it was delivered. It was agreed that we would do more to raise our profile and wake up the residents.

We will had some new banners created and displayed at sites within the Parish – John Knight’s wall; DCA; Harvest Home; Forest Gate; Forest Road/Hambledon Road Roundabout (DPC Land). (Cllr Forster left at 7.25 pm.) It was suggested that we try to get a large paper poster in the unused part of the Coop premises. **Action NL-B / TD to obtain permissions and TD / NR to obtain quotes.**

PA requested that a new map showing *all* allocations making up the 250 be used in the Powerpoint presentation. If the slides cannot be amended then it was agreed that an A3 hard copy be prepared for the whole NP Area such that we can display it. **Action TD**

Following the distribution of the response cards by someone not a member of the SG, all future cards, issued at meetings will be on a different colour card. They will be handed out by SG members *after* the presentation, *during* the questions. **Action TD all**

PA suggested that we need to put a tighter statement regarding the role of developers in dealing with drainage and sewers. Text from the Thame NP was suggested. **This was agreed** as it will improve the perception of the Plan by residents.

The meeting noted that the Clerk is preparing planning density figures for comparison at future Public Meetings. The results show that the proposals for the Kidmere site is not over-intensive. These figures will be derived for all the sites.

087/13NPSG Responses to the Public meetings – web site / e-mail / card

It was agreed that we will try to respond to every formal response made to presentations. It may be possible to develop some standard paragraphs that will simplify this. JK agreed to lead on this preparing replies and clearing these responses to TD to send out. **Action JK, TD & NL-B**

It was a suggestion by MD that the responses could be used to create a Frequently Asked Questions page on the DNP web-site. This was enthusiastically supported. **Action –as above KA**

NL-B presented a petition to the meeting. It had been received regarding our planned use of part of the DWMH premises (DPC land to the rear). PS proposed that we identify all (or as many as possible) of those people signing the petition and reply to them individually by post (approx. 160). **Action TD**

It was agreed that NR will investigate the filming of the next Public Meeting with a view to putting it on the DNP web as a downloadable file.

088/13NPSG Publicity

It was agreed that when promoting the referendum we will use posters placed at individual properties (in the style of Estate Agents boards).

It was agreed that we will develop a new flyer, with more punch, to be delivered in the areas prior to the further public meetings. **Action NL-B + others to create**

The Clerk will be asked to check the cost and timetable for a fresh delivery of an A4/5 flyer to all dwellings in Denmead. Alternatively we will hand deliver to the vicinity of each meeting. **Action TD, All**

It was agreed that MD will publicise the Plan and the meetings at the DCA Film night on 29th and at the Lunch Club on 3rd April both at DCC. PS will endeavour to contact White Wings and Copper Beeches. There will be an offer of transport to a meeting (or to vote!) which will be provided and organised by NR. **Actions MD, NR, PS**

It was considered helpful if DNP could get the Plan on the Coop video display and 'ticker tape' feed to be seen whilst people queue for the check-out. **Action ???? (volunteer?)**

089/13NPSG Report on Parklands Planning Appeal

PS gave a short report on the recent Inspectors hearings of the appeal against refusal to permit building on land in Thompsons Lane (SHLAA site 2496). The main plank of the Appellants case was that of failure (from their calculations) to deliver a 5-year housing supply. The response of the WCC Officers was much more forceful with Steve Opacic involved (at PS's insistence). The position is hopeful given that WCC had just won a case in the High Court which was challenging the Local Plan Part 1.

090/13NPSG Financial Statement

A statement of our current finances had been prepared by the Clerk. Copies were circulated. It indicated sufficient funds to complete the job. It was suggested that a further drawdown from the funds held by WCC should be made by the Clerk before the end of the financial year. PA agreed to speak with TD to ascertain which items should be set against particular grants received. **Action PA, TD**

091/13NPSG Next meeting: **The SG will meet on 10th April at 6.30 pm** at the Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

(Copies to attendees)