

A meeting of the NDP Steering Group took place at 20.00pm in the Canada Room, Liphook Millennium Centre, Midhurst Road, Liphook on Tuesday 10th December 2019.

EXEMPT MINUTES

Present:

Chantal Foo (VC)
Cllr Jeanette Kirby
Roger Miller
Louise Bevan
Cllr Sumi Olson

Apologies:

Darren Ellis Raine Ryland Cllr Rebecca Standish

Also in attendance: Jane Lackenby – NDP Administrator

Richard Curry (Working Party Member)
Christine Hill (Working Party Member)
Andrew Pope (Working Party Member)
Colin Osborne (Working Party Member)

1. Call for Sites received information

a. Received information from Call for Sites - next steps

CF raised the question of what the NDP want to do, going forward, following our own Call for Sites and the EHDC Large sites consultation, and whether we want to consider the option of taking a housing number.

Working party member, David Brocklebank, has offered some advice, in his capacity as a housing developer, that the NDP may want to consider that they may get more community benefits if they accept a larger development.

This was discussed and it is all considered a risk management situation and without knowing EHDC'S decision it is difficult to make a decision.

Legal Counsel has been received again from Harrow Estates as part of our Call for Sites. This was received previously in March and also from Feria at the Design Forum. JL to look for the hard copy or scanned in copy.

Action JL

It was discussed that the advice from Aecom will help the NDP to look at all the sites again and consider whether there is a suitable and sustainable option. Aecom will look at what is best for the community as a whole.

There was a discussion over whether we can take the housing number and the concern that we may get even more housing.

CF said that the larger the site, the more likely we are to get the community benefits.

SO asked whether the facilities we are asking for, are even required, for example a football stadium. JK replied that the football club alone will make enough use of it.

RM stated that we cannot make a decision tonight as we need the results of the Aecom report first.

CF replied that with tight timescales we need to decide in advance what our general decision is.

JK confirmed that there is a risk that we will get a large housing development. All 10 sites under the EHDC consultation have people complaining about them. Although SDNPA are definitely against the 600 houses in the national park.

CH raised that with a large site, the access and movement problems will increase. The geography of Liphook is not conducive to better infrastructure.

CF said that you can improve infrastructure with a well-planned large site, for example with funding to improve pavements.

A discussion followed as to whether Liphook is an employment hub or a commuter town/dormitory and what the aspirations are for the future. It is important to look at the forward trends for the next 15 to 20 years.

NDP needs to get developers to offer more to the community.

In conclusion, CF asked whether we should ask Cllr Mouland, EHDC, what the housing number would be in theory only. This was agreed as a good idea as it will give us something to work with.

Action CF

b. Aecom comments received to date

There are no specific comments received to date.

2. Health and Wellbeing incorporation into proposed planning policies

a. Comments to date

Louise Bevan gave a presentation on Health & Wellbeing. LB works in public health for Hampshire County Council.

The presentation focussed on how to make health a stronger objective in the local plan, as this has been shown to influence development in an area. It also looked about how to 'put health into place' in line with the NHS Healthy Towns research.

For example, LB commented that there may be gaps in the plan with regards to the food environment healthy food provision.

During the presentation, discussions were had around maximising active travel, welfare in the community and the drive towards self-care, and how important community is.

CF reminded the group that the NDP's role is to influence planning.

LB said the next steps are to look at whether our plan matches with the impacts on health, so that we end up with a health improving plan.

CF confirmed for example the NDP can influence local uses, eg takeaway outlets

The next step is to carry out a group exercise, perhaps at the next meeting.

b. Vision and Missions statement update

CF asked whether we should change the mission statement to include the words 'Health and Wellbeing'.

All to consider how the mission statement could be reworded. Action - ALL

c. Press releases

CF and LB discussed whether press releases should be put out, promoting that involvement in the NDP means being able to influence the health and wellbeing of the community. This may encourage more people to be involved.

Louise's presentation will be circulated to everyone as a pdf. Action - JL

A final discussion was had regarding social isolation and the importance of keeping young people involved.

CF gave a summary of the scope and role of the NDP again.

CF asked the Steering Group members to consider where they would like to see land use or buildings.

Action – ALL

LB to send pdf of Healthy Towns document to JL for circulation.

3. A.O.B

There were no AOB items.

The meeting finished at 22:02.