BOTLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the **Neighbourhood Plan Committee** Meeting held on **Wednesday 15 January 2020** at 7:15pm in the Committee Room at the Botley Centre, High Street, Botley

Present:

Voting Cllr members: Cllr David Weeden (Meeting Chairman), Sue Grinham, Graham Hunter, Colin Mercer,

Stephen Wildin.

Voting non-Cllr members: Mike Anthony, Jonathan Appleby, Peter Kemp

In attendance:

Minutes Secretary: Mrs Rosemary Nimmo

Non-Committee Councillors: 0 Members of the Public: 2

140/19/NPC Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence for personal or business reasons were received from Hugh Dixon, Jeff Jones

141/19//NPC Declarations of Interest

No declarations of personal or pecuniary interest were made in relation to items on the Agenda.

142/19/NPC To approve Neighbourhood Plan Committee minutes of 18 December 2019

The Minutes were approved unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

143/19/NPC Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

There were no matters arising.

144/19/NPC Chairman's report

- 144.1 At the previous day's BPC meeting the Chairman had stressed the view of this Committee that a date must be secured to discuss the New Homes Bonus with the Leader of EBC.
- 144.2 All Papers were now on the NP web site on the NP Documents (non-public) tab and almost all were also in the Evidence Base and available to the public.
- 144.3 BPC will once again be represented at the EBC LP hearings on 28 January 2020 at 2 p.m. Anyone was welcome to attend. Matters being dealt with would be:
 - BO1 Land south of Maddoxford Lane and east of Crows Nest Lane
 - BO3 Land east of King's Copse Avenue and east of Tanhouse Lane and
 - Healthcare provision

145/19/NPC Question time/public session

Nothing at this time.

146/19/NPC New members update

Two residents had expressed interest in joining the Committee. One, from Botley Village, had not yet responded further but Kaylee Stephens, from Boorley Park, would join the meeting later to observe the proceedings.

147/19/NPC Finance update

£3765 remained from the original Locality grant of £5617. There was also the generous reserve provided by BPC so the future for BNP's finances seemed secure. Details of further costs would become clearer later in the year.

At this point Kaylee Stephens (KS) joined the meeting and was welcomed by the Chairman.

148/19/NPC Public Meetings report

The two recent public meetings were considered to have been a success. On 07 January 23 residents, 7 Committee members and 2 Planet representatives had attended and on 13 January 40 residents, 8 Committee members and the 2 Planet representatives were present. A total of 90 comments had been left and 3 had been received by email.

The Chairman would type up the comments for circulation and then Planet would look at them all and consider how they should be used.

149/19/NPC Documents for noting

- BPC Report 2020-01-14 in NP Reports to Parish Council
- NP Change list 2020-01-14 in NP Reports to Parish Council

150/19/NPC Documents approved by BPC and passed into the public domain

- Surveys Paper in NP Evidence Base
- Surveys Paper Appendices 1 to 7 in NP Evidence Base
- Traders Report in NP Docs/Surveys 2019
- Transport WP npc v5 2020 in NP Documents/Transport

151/19/NPC Documents for next meeting

- Report on the public meetings
- Locality GM WP
- Locality MELC WP

The Chairman had circulated, for inclusion in Locality, a short outline of information needed to complete sections on Musical Culture, Community Events, Libraries and Places of Worship. He hoped that someone would volunteer to fill in brief details under the four headings. Information on Church Music and the Music Festival were awaited from David Burgess.

152/19/NPC Updated Working Papers

Specific changes to the following Working Papers are detailed in NP Change list 2019-12-10 on the NP web page in NP Reports tab:

- Infrastructure Paper paragraphs 7.6b to 7.6d in NP Evidence Base
- Locality History & Heritage Paper new section 7 in NP Evidence Base

153/19/NPC Documents for this meeting

Locality GM - if latest version is available it will be v5 in NP Documents/Locality Locality MELC WP wg v2 2020 - this is only an outline version in NP Documents/Locality Transport WP npc v5 2020 in NP Documents/Transport

To be dealt with under the appropriate WGs..

154/19/NPC Working Groups

- 154.1 Transport
- 154.1a Both Cllr Grinham and Mike Anthony felt that this paper, although very well written, concentrated mostly on central Botley and there was insufficient reference to Boorley Green (BG). During discussion the main points raised are shown below.
- 154.1b There was a potential problem of increased air pollution at BG from the by-pass, the various road crossings and the extra traffic that would only get worse as more development was completed. Cllr Hunter said that there was no evidence available, as studies had only been carried out along the High Street, which was, in fact, below EU limits. The Chairman said that only monitoring carried out to national standards would be acceptable. A concern was raised about children and adults with pre-existing chest disease, but definitive studies were not yet available regarding the effect of air pollution on different age and health groups. It was agreed that we could say that we had concerns about the future situation.
- 154.1c It would be desirable to have an HGV weight limit on Winchester Road at BG but it appears that neither the police or HCC make any real attempt to enforce the restrictions already in place around the Parish. There is already an aspiration to reinforce the limits in 7.3 of the WP.
- 154.1d Cllr Grinham felt that a crossing over Winchester Road at the entrance to Boorley Park would be essential, in addition to one already proposed nearer to BG Bridge. Our visitor, KS, agreed with her, pointing out that before long there would be another 600 or so houses on the other side of the main road with shops and other facilities. Again, there was no useable evidence at the moment, but the Chairman suggested that it could be an aspiration.
- 154.1e There was concern about possible road changes at BG, which were still in abeyance. Cllr Hunter explained that HCC would only reassess the situation when the traffic effects caused by the Deer Park school, the by-pass and the Boorley Park development became clearer. Cllr Grinham asked if we could have an aspiration for there to be discussions with BPC before any further consultations off BG residents were carried out. This will be explored, and Cllr Mercer said that he had already written to Cllr Rob Humby at HCC about this matter.
- 154.1f Cllr Grinham said that there were considerable worries about the extra traffic from the two entrances to the Uplands Farm development giving onto Winchester Street (WS). Should we ask for an outlet onto the bypass with no through way to WS? After some discussion it was thought that HCC would not change these access arrangements and they had already been passed by HEWEB. Also, such an entrance would break through the bunds along the by-pass, so worsening the noise levels and air pollution in the area of the development closest to the break. It was agreed that the current planned vehicle access to the Uplands Farm development was the least-worst option.

154.1g Paragraph 1.7 - Cllr Mercer suggested new wording regarding minimising HGV traffic through Botley and encouraging the use of approved routes.

Cllr Grinham left the meeting at this point.

154.1h 10.1 - KS asked if there would be a cycleway from Botley to the Station. A footpath is already included in the Winchester City plan for the Sherecroft Farm development, but it is outside our jurisdiction, although BPC will be consultees. The Chairman suggested that we say *We trust that during the full planning application for Sherecroft Farm a condition for the cycleway from Botley Village to Botley Station will be included.*

154.2 Communications

The Chairman said that he had completed the log of communication with the public, except for the two recent public meetings. Also, it was his intention to slim down the appendices to the Surveys paper, that mainly consisted of statistics and graphs. The information would still be available but would not go into the public document.

154.3 Economy

Nothing further to report.

154.4 Education

Nothing to report.

154.5 Health

Only an update on the University Hospital Southampton mortality figures is required.

154.6 Housing

Nothing to report.

154.7 Infrastructure

Concern was expressed about HCC's decision to restrict access to Household Waste Recycling Centres but this was outside the scope of the NP.

- 154.8 Locality
- 154.8a The Green Matters (GM) paper was discussed. Various minor errors had been corrected.
- 154.8b Paragraph 6.6 (6.10 in revised version) The wording regarding development on BPC land would be amended to include land that BPC might purchase in the future
- 154.8c Paragraph 7.1 The Chairman suggested a slight change of wording regarding trees owned by Botley Parish Council, which was agreed.
- 154.8d Paragraph10.0 It was agreed that the section title would be changed to Local Travel around Botley Parish.
- 154.8e The Chairman felt that the wording on congestion referred to a matter that was completely outside our ability to deal with. Mike Anthony pointed out that dealing with congestion is an EBC key strategy. The Chairman would therefore consider some change of words, as appropriate.
- 154.8f Paragraph 11.3 Cllr Mercer would pursue the matter of possible Park & Ride land at Boorley Park through the BPC. If it became a planning matter it could be included in the NP as an objective.
- 154.8g The Chairman and Cllr Hunter would work through this paper and circulate, with comments requested within ten days.
- 154.8h MELC WP to be dealt with as previously discussed under minutes item 151/19.
- 154.9 Discussions with Planet about the contents of the Plan would commence in mid-February. After the next BNPC meeting the Working Papers would be frozen, except for changes to correct errors or to update data. Changes in intent would require the agreement of the Parish Council.

155/19/NPC Correspondence

There was no correspondence this month.

156/19/NPC Date of next meeting

Wednesday19 February 2020 at 7.15 pm..

The meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.