

STEERING GROUP MEETING/OPEN FORUM

Minutes – 26th September 2018

Held in The George Inn, Upstairs Meeting Room, Maulden from approx 20:00hrs.

Present:

Simon Barnes	Chairman	David Illingworth	Housing Wpg
Cllr John Coyle	MPC	Martin Wright	
Cllr Philip Jackson	Chairman MPC	Bill Edwards	
Alan Plom	Leader Infrastructure Gp		
Lesley Illingworth	Mins Sec		

Apologies:

Cllr Phil Allen	MPC
Russell Aston	Vice-Chairman
Sarah Michael	Treasurer
Sue Raven	Greensand Trust
Paul Lee	
Justin Snoxell	
Alistair Borland	

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES AND UPDATE

SB opened the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (29/08/18)

Last meeting did not require minutes as such – it was an active session allowing people to contribute to the referendum questions.

3. MATTERS ARISING AND ACTIONS

See new amended list

Action: Russ

4. VILLAGE UPDATE

4.1 Recent planning application update

SB read out the report from Cllr Phil Allen and included below :-

1. CB/18/00435/OUT and CB/17/00305-Old Farm, Clophill Road, Maulden, Outline application for residential development of up to 49 dwellings (including affordable housing) with access to be considered and all other matters reserve.

Original application CB/17/00305/OUT refused in April 2017. Appeal lodged in October 2017. Appeal hearing due to take place on 23 August 2018 postponed due to illness of Inspector.

New application CB/18/00435/OUT refused on 16/07/18. Appeal lodged 07/08/18. Advice from CBC that appeal will be on the basis of a hearing. Additional comments submitted to the Planning Inspectorate that repeated comments already submitted for the CB/17/00305/FULL appeal. **Appeal date established 07/11/2018.**

The Planning Inspectorate have co-joined the two appeals together and they will therefore be heard together at the same time. Venue still to be advised.

2. CB/17/01156/OUT – land East of No13 Clophill Road, Maulden

Although application for 14 dwellings was recommended for approval at CBC Development Committee Meeting 31/01/18 no formal decision was issued due to an appeal lodged on 28/01/18, but a “Minded to Refuse” was passed unanimously. **Still no news on timing of appeal which will be by written representation.**

3. CB/17/03546/OUT – Land at Clophill Road. Maulden, Bedford.

Outline planning permission for up to 50 dwellings with associated landscaping, open spaces and vehicular and pedestrian access off Clophill Road.

Application refused in October 2017. Appeal lodged on 27/3/18. **Appeal due to heard in October has been withdrawn. No new application received.**

4. CB/17/03937/OUT – Land South of Limbersey Lane, Maulden

Outline – Erection of 14 Residential Dwellings, 2 x 2 bedroom bungalows, 9 x 4 bedroom detached and 3 x 2 bedroom terraced. Application refused in May 2018. **Appeal lodged on 13/09/18.**

5. CB/18/01385/OUT – Sandbourne, 24 Clophill Road, Maulden, Bedford.

Outline application for development of up to 42 dwellings. **Application refused on 6th July 2018. No appeal currently lodged.**

6. CB/18/02273/OUT – Land off Cobbitts Road, Maulden, Beds.

Erection of 5 detached chalet bungalows with access road.

Refused on grounds of substandard road access and pedestrian intervisibility, which would have an adverse effect on road safety and the flow of traffic.

There are 2 appeals which will be reviewed on 7 November 2018. SB pointed out that appeals come before Inspectorate and not the local Planning Committee.

2. Referendum Questions

At the moment the referendum consists of 52 questions – BRCC is handling this – including help with design and collating the results. Jemma McClean is the contact at BRCC and she will be invited to attend one of the future MNP meetings planned to look at the referendum questionnaire. SB will email Jemma to confirm prices and timescale are still as agreed. **Action: SB**

Its been suggested to use Survey Monkey to reach those who prefer to use the internet to take part in the referendum but that the questionnaire would need to be adapted for this medium.

3. Timescales

Leaflets have been printed to advertise the meeting on 2nd October. These have been given out for distribution around the village.

- 2nd October is the first or main village meeting with 2 more planned during week beginning 8th October for those who could not make the first meeting.
- At the meeting on 2nd Oct its intended that volunteers will be invited to take part in a pilot referendum of around 100 villagers – this pilot to take place around 5th November. Those taking part will be given a time limit to return their questionnaires – suggested a 2 week period.
- December – February – the questionnaire will go out generally to the village.

2nd October meeting – there will be a brief history given for those who need some background to this project. Tables will be set up to represent each section of the questionnaire with someone available to help answer any questions etc. There will be a supply of ‘PostIts’ and people will be encouraged to give comments and to be interactive.

Suggested names to be available to ‘man’ tables on 2nd October:

Roger Ball
Russ Aston
Alan Plomb
Simon Barnes
Bill Edwards
Mark Bingham

PROJECT PLAN & FUNDING

Sarah Michael will apply for funding – for the next stage.

7. AOB

Next meeting - Wednesday 31st October at 8pm, upstairs in The George, as usual. Anyone with an interest in development and planning in Maulden are welcome to attend

There being no further business, the meeting finished at approx 21.00

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