

BECCLES NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN OPERATIONAL GROUP MEETING

Notes from Meeting

Monday 3 September 2018

10am

Beccles Library

Present:

Operational Group Members

David Goldstone, Vice Chair Operational Group

Elfrede Brambley-Crawshaw, Chair Operational Group

Graham Elliott

Claire Mackney

Josi Horne

John Sayer

Paul Fletcher

Carol Coote

Heather Sexton

Chris Greenhill

Jenny Robinson

Richard Stubbings (from 11:45am)

Other

Chris Bowden, Navigus (until 11:55am)

Dickon Povey, WDC Planning Officer (until 11:35am)

Apologies

Terry Goodwin

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting on 30 July 2018 were approved

Matters arising from minutes

Graham will circulate the link to the directory of Brownfield sites

Operational Group Members

Chris & Jenny were voted onto the Operational Group

Navigus Draft Neighbourhood Plan

Chris gave an introduction to the very first draft of the NP. It is really to show what the document **might** look like. It is a very rough draft. He has tried to identify what is planning policy and what are other desired outcomes that are not planning policy.

Dickon stressed it is important to align the NP with the emerging Local Plan not the current Local Plan. The new Local Plan is subject to Examination in Public in October. He expects Inspectors report in the autumn and adoption of the plan in spring 2019.

There was a discussion about the location of the community hub in Garden Neighbourhood. The NP group think it could be located in a better position. Would this mean we are not in general compliance with the Local Plan?

Who will represent the NPOG at the Examination? Claire suggests a good written response? Claire will draft something and will circulate.

We need a high quality map showing NP area. Elfrede has got this map.

Local context - Chris to write brief summary

History of Beccles - David Goldstone has drafted something. Responses by the end of the week.

Editorial changes should be sent to Chris / David via email.

The Garden Neighbourhood is split approximately by the following parishes.

50% Worlingham

40% Beccles

10% Weston

Many of the community facilities on Garden Neighbourhood are in Worlingham. Need to stress that these facilities are shared

Chris G queried where the access to proposed employment area on the Garden Neighbourhood would be. Dickon said it was not yet decided.

Local Infrastructure ... Paul to work on this. Need a map showing the key junctions that will need monitoring and improvement.

Vision and Objectives as previously agreed but we may need to update when policies are agreed.

Paul asked about non-land use planning matters. Where should they be? He thinks they should be in a separate document or appendix to the NP. Chris says there is a danger of them "falling of the edge" in an appendix. Agreed to have reference in the main document and **also** in an appendix.

The adopted NP will not just be used by Planning Committee. SCC will use it. Local Councillors will use it. To apply pressure on CCG. It is a great evidence base for grant applications.

Once we have completed the NP document the procedure is ...

- Town Council will do pre-submission consultation min 6 weeks
- Submit to WDC
- Submission consultation – min 6 weeks
- Examination
- Adoption by WDC (East Suffolk DC)

It will take at least 9 months to a year from completion of draft NP to adoption

River Waveney is not as polluted as the report "reads"

Josi asked why are bits of our draft policies missing? Particularly The Quay as a community facility?

Hidden Needs – is not adequately referenced. Jenny and Elfrede to liaise and suggest

additions to draft NP.

Town centres are not just about retail but need to be community and social uses rather than residential.

The NPOG need to engage with CCG and Health Centre

Heather willing to help. With Elfrede or Josi

We want a satellite health centre. How can we get it?

We also need to engage with the LEP

AOB

none

Date of next meeting

10am Monday 24 September 2018 (apologies from David, Chris G, Heather)

10am Monday 29 October 2018

Both at Town Hall, Beccles