

Sturminster Marshall Neighbourhood Plan

7.30pm Tuesday, 8th February 2022
At Sturminster Marshall Memorial Hall
Steering Group Minutes

Present: Mr J Quick, Cllr S Cade, Cllr H Fookes, Mr R Daniels, Cllr M Steel

Also present: Mrs A Clothier (Clerk), Ms J Witherden

1. Apologies

- 1.1 Cllr H Palmer, Cllr J Jackson and Mr S Morris gave their apologies, and these were accepted by the committee.

2. Declaration of Interests

- 2.1 No changes.

3. Minutes of previous meeting

- 3.1 The minutes of the previous meeting on 13th January 2022 were circulated prior to the meeting. These were approved.

*Action 3: Cllr Fookes to draft letter to occupiers of Locally Important Buildings **Complete***

*Action 1: Clerk to provide AECOM with information pack. **Complete***

*Action 2: Mr Quick to draft a framework **Complete***

*Action 3: Clerk to produce a final record of the discussions between the Neighbourhood Plan Team and Dorset Council. **Complete***

*Action 4: Ms Witherden to look at the programme for the next meeting. **Complete. The presubmission consultation will be around October – dependent on the AECOM timetable.***

4. Plan Drafting

- 4.1 The framework was divided into the following sections:

Area	Person Responsible
Overview	John Quick
Vision and Objective	Roger Daniels
About Our Area	Roger Daniels/John Quick
Strategic Planning Policy	TBC
Heritage and Design	Helen Fookes
Environment	Roger Daniels
Community Services and Facilities	Sonia Cade

Traffic and Transport	TBC
Business and Employment	TBC
Housing and New Development	TBC

- 4.2 It was decided that the local doctor's surgeries would be approached to see if there would be any interest in a branch surgery if the space was provided. The shops will also be contacted to ask what specifications they would need in a new village centre.

Action 1: Clerk to contact Walford Mill regarding a branch surgery

Action 2: Mr Quick to speak to Co-Op and Nisa regarding specifications for new facilities.

- 4.3 The overall design of the document will be finalised once the individual sections are complete and the local art group will be contacted to see if any local artists work could be included.

5. Locally Important Buildings

- 5.1 The draft document was looked at in detail and it was agreed that it was an excellent start. The possibility of mentioning views was raised but it was concluded that this would be better in the Environment section. When looking at views it is important to consider cultural associations and historic importance. The Locally Important Buildings Report will both guide future design and produce a local list of protected buildings. This can then be used by Dorset Council for their non-designated heritage assets. The letter to occupiers will be finalised once the list is complete.

6. Masterplanning

- 6.1 The lead officer for the master planning technical package has changed – Mr Quick and Cllr Cade to meet with the new team at the end of February.

7. Stour Valley Park Meeting

- 7.1 Mr Daniels and the Clerk to meet with Land Storey on the 17th February to discuss the potential bridge.

8. Local Plan

- 8.1 Cllr Flower has published a letter to Michael Gove asking for an extension of 2 years to the Local Plan. There is an argument that the data behind the Local Plan housing data is out of date. At present Dorset Council still need to have an adopted by April 2024.

9. Date of next meeting

Next Meeting: Thursday 10th March 2022 at 7.30pm.

The meeting ended at 9.20pm