

HORTON & WRAYSBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Steering Group meeting notes: Thursday, April 13, 2017

Held at Wraysbury Village Hall, 10am

SG Members present: Margaret Lenton, Peter Lord, Diana Hughes, Janet Crame, Eileen Coogan, Dawn Funnell, Julie Gomme, Fred Parsons.

1. Agree amendments to the N Plan

DF had earlier distributed an updated draft plan document which included agreed amendments following representations from the statutory bodies and the general public. The group then discussed whether any further amendments were appropriate.

Wraysbury Parish Council at its meeting on March 20 suggested clarification on the Village Green status regarding the Green Belt.

SG agreed to the council's suggestion of adding under the map a statement reading 'although not shown as part of the Green Belt, the Village Green is covered by the Enclosure Act of 1799'.

The parish council approved the Neighbourhood Plan, subject to that amendment.

JC reported that Horton Parish Council delayed approving the plan as it was felt some proposed additions were needed to be discussed with the Steering Group. She said Horton PC agreed to send an apology for bringing this delay

JC said a key proposal was to have the inclusion of a Development Brief that would cover site proposals of 10 units or more and a policy to ensure proper consultation with the local council and the wider community regarding mix of housing, layout and design. JC had raised this issue earlier and the S Group were not sure it was necessary.

It was then run past our consultant, who felt that something like this should be covered by the procedure that developers have to go through the borough first. But he said if the group decided, then it could be included.

JC felt it was important to have such a policy because of the proposals from the borough of two large scale developments in Horton.

Another addition was to add the securing of continued rail services to the Public Transport aspiration in the Projects Section as well as bus services already proposed.

The Steering Group agreed after discussion to include both these additions.

2. Associated documents

Group checked the Consultation Statement (which lays out how and who we consulted about the N Plan) and agreed its contents.

The other statutory document, the Basic Conditions Statement, is being drawn up by our consultant, John Slater.

The Character Assessment will continue to be worked on by DF, LH and JC.