

Note of Sleaford Neighbourhood Plan (NP) working group 26th meeting – by Zoom

Friday 24th June 2022, 2pm

Present

Cllr Robert Oates, Chairing
Cllr Paul Edwards-Shea
Cllr Ken Fernandes
Cllr David Suiter
Mr Keith Maltby
Mr David Marriage
Ms Harriet Wells

STC

Nicola Marshall

Apologies

Mr Nick Law
Steve Kemp, OpenPlan
Ms Clare Edwards

1. Welcome and apologies

The chairman welcomed those present to the meeting. Apologies for absence were noted as above. The chairman apologised for the absence of a meeting in May; this was due to rescheduling the Open Day to June.

2. Note of last meeting on 8th April 2022

The note of the last meeting was approved. **Action:** NM to upload onto website.

3. Actions arising from the last meeting

Nicola Marshall reported on the actions from the last meeting. All actions were in progress or had been completed.

4. Stage 1: Engagement Strategy

4.1 Report of the second 'Vision and Objectives' Open Day

The Chairman introduced a report of the Open Day. A total of 51 comments had been made on the vision and objectives. There were no objections to the vision and objectives, with the majority stating that they supported them. This evidence gave a mandate to start the draft plan. Comments included were largely along the lines of the previous comments and included:

- Improvements needed to walking and cycle routes
- Cleaning up the River Sleas
- Lack of housing for homeless people

The Chairman asked for any further comments and amendments before finalising the report.

It was noted that a new car parking map had been produced. **Action:** Chairman to ask NKDC planning officers about this.

A question was asked about the revised Sleaford Masterplan and how this will dovetail with the Neighbourhood Plan. It was noted that the SNDP must conform with

the Local Plan, but it is not obliged to follow plans below this level of land use planning and allocation.

Action: The Local Transport Plan and the Sleaford Masterplan would be considered at the next meeting.

5. Draft Sleaford Neighbourhood Plan

Action: The Chairman to work with SK on the draft, including background information and policies.

Action: The Chairman to consider the revised Local Plan and compare with the draft Neighbourhood Plan for the next meeting.

6 Publicity

NM reported that the reach of posts on Facebook was respectable, but lower than posts about other topics, eg forthcoming town events. It was agreed that there would be more interest with the launch of the draft plan.

The Chairman thanked the Town Council staff for their work on promotion.

7. Finance

NM updated there had been expenditure on printing and a banner for the Open Day. The £970 underspend from last year's Locality grant would be applied for along with funds for a Design Code. There were still funds in the budget from the Sleaford Town Council allocation of money.

8. Any Other Business

KM and DM had attended an NKDC consultation meeting about the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. Feedback from the event included:

- Focus on young people
- Shops and the High Street and the local economy were the focus of funding
- Discussions had varied widely around the room

KM and DM would attend the next meeting and feedback to the Working Group.

9. Dates of next meetings

Friday 22nd July

Friday 19th August

Friday 16th September

Friday 28th October 2022.

All 2pm to 4pm and via Zoom, but may be in person in the Autumn (to be advised).

Action – NM to set up Zoom / book room and send invitations.

The meeting ended at 2.56 pm

