

Virginia Water Neighbourhood Plan Forum Meeting Minutes

09th July 2020

Attendees: John Pyle JP
 John Tenconi JT
 Gill Morgan GM
 Andrew Stimson AS
 Nicola Bates NB
 Robert Bates RB
 Peter Lomas PL
 Peter Lerner PJL

Apologies: James Periton JDP
 Carol Manduca CM
 Harmonhan Dhanjal HD
 Jonathan Hulley JH

Minutes: Helene Parsons HP

Welcome and Absences	JP opened the meeting and welcomed members. Due to Covid-19 lockdown period this meeting is conducted using video conferencing facility.	
Agree Minutes of Previous Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes from the 18th June 2020 Committee Meeting. • After a slight amendment, and the additional comments; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A special thank you to John Tenconi who has been instrumental in the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan and has been a fundamental asset with his continued support in the Local Plan and for his knowledge on local issues which have proved enormously helpful. ○ Chairman wanted to reiterative his thanks to Nicola Bates for the introduction for the inclusion of the schools and being able to reach out the teachers and pupils. • Proposed for approval by NB • Seconded by PL 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robert Bates presented the Core Strategy Document and explained what the sub-group has been working on over the past few weeks; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Forum is now entering Phases 2 and 3 of the Neighbourhood Plan. ○ Phase 2: Defining the Core Objectives and Principles. ○ Phase 3: Identify and Catalogue Character Areas within the Plan boundary. ○ After the public consultation period, the sub group have been looking to defining the core objectives and principles which has come out of this consultation and now need to identify and catalogue the character areas within the plan boundary. ○ How the sub group have been looking to now take the information to define policies. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It is apparent there are three core objectives to be focused on 1) Access and Movement 2) Impact and Environment 3) Urban Design and Landscape and; ○ Six distinct character areas upon which to formulate policies being; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wentworth Estate ▪ Callow Hill and Crown Estate ▪ Stroude Valley ▪ Central Virginia Water ▪ St Ann's/Virginia Park ▪ Trumps Green ○ Area Champions are now requested from the Forum for each of the defined areas, to capture the character and feel of the village by speaking with neighbours and other residents in the area in order to be able to pull together the essence of each of these micro areas and to identify some of the challenges we face. ○ Discussions were held regarding the data that has been obtained from Experian regarding average house prices and income distributions. ○ P.J.L agreed with the concerns with publishing data on income mix but in order to report on character and mix these points need to be made in some form or other, even if it is just shown as high, medium and low, without this information the points which are trying to be made will be all the more difficult to make, and Planners do look at this kind of information in the Borough when formulating policies, and certainly when making arguments about affordable housing this information will be required. ○ P.J.L added that he feels Wentworth, being a national sporting location, how does the community cope with it? Does it like having to cope with it? Are there any ways it could cope better? Are there any further advantages to the community from encouraging more activity from this sporting location in order to bring income back to the community. ○ Consultation back to the community needs to be made by whatever form as to where we are at. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● JT feels it is important to ascertain what is it the community want that they have currently got, maybe they feel they would like to see more restaurants or shops, better access, what is their view about travelling if they have to. It is their community, what would they like to see changed or preserved? ● JPL confirmed it is also important to ask the community what is good with what they have already got, what makes you want to live in the area and stay living in the area. ● JP suggested the following Area Champions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ St Ann's/Virginia Park - Andrew Stimson & Jonathan Hulley ▪ Trumps Green - James Periton ▪ Callow Hill/Crown Estate - John Pyle ▪ Central - Carol Manduca ▪ Stroud Valley - Nicola Bates & Gill Morgan ▪ Wentworth Estate - Peter Lomas 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In addition, these questions will be put on Facebook giving the community the opportunity to let us know their views via email. • Ideas on the type of questions which should be asked were given in Andrew Tyley's Draft Framework Version and it was suggested this be re-circulated to the Forum. HP to re-send. • JP confirmed that in the Autumn further consultations will take place. • As the feedback being reported will be slanted towards the concerns of the residents who under took to assist us in answering our questions, PJJ volunteered to visit each of the 6 areas and give a planning synopsis for all of them to help get some consistency running through. • Project to run over a few weeks. 	<p>HP</p> <p>PJJ</p>
Any Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminder from PJJ that we must revert to Runnymede BC to meet Liz Osbourne's successor to give them a progress report. JP confirmed this will be done after the next public consultation. • NB suggested looking at doing a zoom call to engage with people who haven't been able to engage face to face. JP confirmed for the moment to carry on with face to face with liaising with neighbours. 	
Date of Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday, 20th August 2020 at 4pm via Zoom 	