



Virginia Water Neighbourhood Plan Forum Meeting

Via Teams, 5pm 19th May 2022

Present:

John Pyle	(JP) Chairman	Robert Bates	(RB)
John Tenconi	(JT)	James Periton	(JDP)
Andrew Tyley	(AT)	Carol Manduca	(CM)

1. APPROVED MINUTES

JP approved the Minutes from the previous meeting held on 11th November 2021, seconded by AT.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

JP confirmed the NP is actively moving towards a draft Plan for consultation by the end of the year.

JP to seek advice from Jon Dowty, Planning Consultant of the Headline Policy Statements.

To form the Neighbourhood Plan in order to commence consultation with RBC, the Design Code, the report from PJA and the Green/Blue Infrastructure all need to be completed. Turning these documents into reports that can be used for the next online survey public consultation, given key summary points to be discussed within local community workshops

Design Code – This document is ongoing, having held a number of discussions with the core group and sought further advice from Jon Dowty, O'Neill Homer regarding the sub divisions within the Estate especially on the allocated footpaths within the Green Belt.

JP and JDP have met and rewritten the Design Code sections A & B which cover the main Wentworth Estate. Gap analysis requires to be incorporated. Still to be completed Trumps Green (JDP) and Stroude Valley (RB).

JT shared the scoping document with the core group on the 27th April and discussions were held on the possible funds which could be available, Longcross within the S106 who will give funding to Surrey CC, CABI have allocated CIL and need to know what costs will be available through the LCWIP funding.

PJA Traffic Consultants have now met with Surrey CC and opened dialogue with Councillors to report on the outcome of the report on the village cycle and walkways (which remains to be completed, on which there is a meeting between JP, JT and PJA on Tuesday 24th May), in terms of

access and mobility, plus presented their plans and ideas on the central core area, which will be displayed during the Jubilee Trail on the 28th May for residents to give their thoughts and feedback.

JP met with key shop owners Sonny Jafri, The Wine Circle and James Wyatt, Barton Wyatt Estate Agents to share the vision of the PJA core area with the idea of closing off one of the access roads onto Christchurch Road, they agreed the best idea was to keep the access road between car park and the memorial garden, and close the access by Virginia Court. This would allow for more green space and keep traffic flowing towards railway station. They were also supportive of pedestrian crossing by Station Approach and to reduce traffic speeds on Christchurch Road to possibly 20 miles an hour. Further understanding required for discussions on the land behind Station Parade with the residents of Virginia Court regarding possible development and tidying of the area. JDP will reach out with Chairman of Virginia Court to open initial dialogue possibility.

JP to gain a understanding from PJA if the report showed the access to Trotsworth Court, could this access be improved on during the 15 year plan.

Network Rail - JP and AT met with Network Rail and discussed the PJA core area, with suggested improvements. Network Rail would be open for further discussions on a on a cash neutral basis if they can. JP raised the unsightly derelict buildings in car park and for these to be improved and updated in order to better dovetail their site leading into the Plan's core area.

Green/Blue Infrastructure Draft Document – currently being completed following on from the map sent by Jon Dowty, document will show all areas current description, any enhancement opportunities and detailed photos. JP met with the owners of Longside Lake, which opened last month offering leisure water facilities for paddle boarding, water ski lessons and wake boarding. The owners are keen to provide the footpath around the lake and for it not to become a public right of way.

3. FINANCE

Estimated costs expected from O'Neill Homer is approximately £5,000 to end of year with further work being undertaken with PJA on the finalising of documents.

Current funds held in bank £8,742.22.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

JP and JT meeting Cllr Hulley, Cllr Howorth and Cllr Coen (17th May) to ensure total engagement regarding the complexity of the Applications in respect of Virginia Water South, Longcross South and North and the Kitsmead Lane composting and medical incinerator applications ensuring supportive agreement with the Neighbourhood Plan.

RBC Virginia Water Ward Planning Application Summary For Period - 11th November 2021 – 18th May 2022 Total applications = 86 majority of applications relate to single dwelling extensions and outbuildings, TPO tree applications, Permitted Development/Variations and Discharge of Conditions, 7 new builds.

Current Applications Of Note

Change of use – associated with student accommodation facilities at Holloway

New Sales Building at the Wheatsheaf with parking and charging points – approved RU.20/1614.

Padd Farm Hurst Lane - Discharge of conditions (RU.21/0695) for x54 affordable dwellings and SANG space REFUSED – 15th Feb 2022 Inappropriate development in Green Belt

Virginia Water South, Trumpsgreen Road RU.22/0278 – registered Application for 67 new homes (35% affordable) and x1 travellers pitch x13 letters of objection x1 letter of support – adjoining owner.

Oak Tree Farm, Green Road (Nr Hurst Lane) RU.22/0346 – registered x1 Mobile home for residential use. x13 Letters of Objection

Ongoing Applications

Land at Whitehall Farm 'Cemex' (RU21/0597) Extraction of gravel etc. Surrey CC Decision Notice – STRONG OBJECTION

5. AOB

JP has been contacted from Harry Blight, Senior Land Manager of BPC, who are the advisors of residents of Hurst Lane, he wanted opportunity to come and have a discussion with Forum. Mr Blight was informed NP forum are not promoting any land within the Green Belt.

It was agreed that any development guidelines within the document not to be site specific.

RB to resend the scoping document and the Green/Blue document to JP, AT will also send through his observations.

Barclays mandate, CM has been in contact with Barclays Bank regarding her signature on the account and now is required to send in further correspondence. HP to scan original correspondence from Barclays to CM in order that she can give reference details.

No further business was raised, and the meeting was closed.