

# GOMM VALLEY/ASHWELLS

## LIAISON GROUP MEETING

### Meeting Notes

Meeting Title:	Liaison Group Meeting
Date:	25 February 2015, 7:30pm
Location	Committee room 1, WDC
Chaired By	Cllr David Johncock
Present:	See Membership List As Modified By Apologies Simon Fitton (Alder King Property Consultants) Catherine Norris (Alder King Property Consultants) Charles Brocklehurst (WDC Property) Ken Cooke
Apologies	Graham Andrews (Deputy Geoffrey Stevens) Chris Woodman (Deputy Janet Tully, HW Society)

Points of Agreement/Actions	Notes	Action
<b>1. Apologies</b>	Graham Andrews – Geoff Stevens deputising. Cllr Ian Forbes – Cllr Bill Sadler deputising. Chris Woodman – Janet Tulley deputising.	
<b>2. Introduction</b>	<p>The Chairman introduced himself and summarised the activity that had taken place since the inception meeting including the Workshop on 31<sup>st</sup> January and the Training Seminar on 10<sup>th</sup> February.</p> <p>The Chairman advised that a Planning Performance Agreement (PPA) is close to being concluded with the landowners of the Gomm Valley site. The chairman invited the group to reach a view on whether the landowner's agents should be invited to attend the meeting. Representatives from the landowners were asked to leave the room so that the group could discuss their attendance.</p> <p>Mr Harrison clarified that the purpose of a PPA was for setting out timescales for action between the local planning authority and developer and for securing the necessary funding to resource the pre-application process.</p> <p>Following discussion, it was agreed that the landowners representatives be able to take part in the meeting and they rejoined the meeting.</p> <p>Mr Ken Cooke requested to join the group which was agreed.</p>	

<p><b>3. Minutes of last meeting</b></p>	<p>Agreed.</p>	
<p><b>4. Actions Arising from Last Meeting.</b></p>	<p><b>Representatives for infrastructure round table</b></p> <p>The group agreed the following representatives for the Infrastructure Roundtable Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phil Hooper (Ashwells resident)</li> <li>• Tony Garner (Pimms Action Group)</li> </ul> <p>The group were reminded that the workshop for High Wycombe Infrastructure is open to the public and will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March between 10am and 4:30pm at Bucks New University, High Wycombe</p>	
<p><b>5. Feedback from AR Urbanism</b></p>	<p>Ricardo Bobisse gave a presentation on the public workshop. A report summarising the results of the workshop shall be issued to the Council and published on the web site in due course.</p>	
<p><b>6. Major Issues Arising From The Workshop.</b></p>	<p>It was generally agreed that “Infrastructure” would be a major issue in any development of the sites. The other main topic appeared to be how the findings of the workshop were to be taken forward. The Chairman advised that we may ask the landowners/developers to produce the development brief/masterplan because of lack of adequate resources. Any brief/masterplan would only get endorsed by the Council if the content was deemed to be acceptable.</p>	
<p><b>7. Charles Brocklehurst to explain role of Property Services</b></p>	<p>Charles Brocklehurst explained the relationship between the Council as landowner and local planning authority. When Property Services is promoting Council owned land for development they undertake the same process as other landowners/developers but are required to achieve “best consideration reasonably attainable.” Mr Brocklehurst confirmed that in relation to Ashwells, a professional team acting on behalf of the Council as landowner should be appointed in the summer.</p>	
<p><b>7. AOB</b></p>	<p><b>Statement From Alder King Property Consultants.</b> Simon Fitton and Catherine Norris advised the group that they have been instructed by AXA and are in discussion with the Local Planning Authority to agree PPA. Their survey work is at an advanced stage and they are keen to get an outline planning application submitted in the summer.</p> <p><b>Date Of Next Meeting.</b> The group discussed the date and content of next meeting. The group did not wish to wait until after May election.</p>	

	<p>It was suggested that the next meeting should be in around 3 weeks time, potentially 25<sup>th</sup> March subject to venue booking.</p> <p>Items for agenda:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Presentation by Axa of site survey work that they have already undertaken</li><li>- Feedback from Infrastructure workshop, subject to timeframe</li></ul> <p>Next meeting to start at 7pm.</p>	R Harrison
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