

Ewhurst & Ellens Green NP

Steering Group meeting

Monday 14/4/2015

1. Attendance and apologies - TB, PG, AW, BA, and VH. Apologies from JA & DQ

2. Approval of minutes - minutes of meeting 9/3/2015 approved.

3. Matters Arising

2.1 VH to obtain quotes for 2 banners and up to 4 slips per banner which we could display in village to have permanent publicity of NP and variable messages.

2.2 TB to obtain quote for consultant for sustainability report [first asking if consultant who had quoted for compliance report can do this as well] and then talk to Locality to see if we can apply for grants on provisional basis i.e. if we find we do not need.

4. AW papers

4.1 Paper re compliance of NP to be on website.

4.2 Paper re community engagement for noting only [has been sent to consultant]

5. Consultant Lorraine Hart

5.1 LH had studied all papers re community engagement to date, AW paper in 4.2 above, other relevant information, and had studied website contents. Her preliminary study had been received and read by all.

5.2 Agreed that she would attend proposed SG meeting on Monday May 11th for workshop [this now confirmed for 7pm at Sayers Croft]

5.3 All, in conjunction with working groups, would draw up possible questions for workshop.

6. Reports from working groups

6.1 Central Support - BA confirmed that they had met, and a brief would soon emerge, and that he had people willing to do the work.

6.2 Communication

- Alison Morton willing to support JA

- Copy date for next EVS due late April. TB to draft copy for article.

- We would consider doing a flier to be available for all attending open garden day

- BA is talking re NP at annual parish meeting

6.3 Housing

6.3.1 TB confirmed recent meeting has decided not to contact all households seeking sites for min of one house, as that would throw up many potential small sites within village which would be considered as windfall

6.3.2 Instead we would pursue an initial process involving

- Article in EVS asking for sites for min 5 houses

- Place on website
- Walk around village [and possible drive around Parish] to identify sites
- Contact WBC to ask for all sites offered to them in new Strategic Land Study, and also all those who had come forward for pre-application advice.

6.3.3 Paper had been prepared that studied WBC own documents to look at different ways of analysing Ewhurst “allocation” from total of 150 dwellings for all Level 3 settlements. TB had been asked by group to send to WBC and request meeting.

6.3.4 However AW, whilst acknowledging it was a well-argued and interesting exercise, queried whether we had adopted correct approach. WBC had not allocated any level of housing to villages. They had made assumption that the villages would accommodate 150, and taken off that number [as well as windfall etc.] to arrive at the numbers needed from strategic sites and major settlements. The NP should be arriving at their own numbers from deciding on our needs.

6.3.5 TB to talk to both WBC and working party to agree approach.

6.4 Business - Meeting May 6th to draw up list of all employers in parish employing min 5 people and start brief for questions to be put to them

6.5 Environment - Have concentrated on pulling together all existing information on local diversity and built heritage. Planning a parish wide survey of amphibians during April. It was agreed that footpaths should be covered by this WP, and that best initial contact on this would be Chris Lyth.

6.6 Community Facilities - all assignments have been allocated. Community groups/ activities, social & community infrastructure, transport and utilities.

6.7 Transport - Suggested that AW contact Alan Young, county councillor to get contact/s at Surrey Highways, and Casualty Reduction Officer. Also he was going to look at highway reports accompanying recent planning applications.

6.8 Utilities - AW had made start on contacting all suppliers re gas, water, electricity, drainage, and telephones. Suggested that he contact Chris Lyth and Mike Turner re superfast broadband.

7. AOB - none

8. Dates of next meetings [all at Sayers Croft at 7.30pm unless otherwise notified]

Monday May 11th [Workshop with Lorraine Hart] at 7pm

Monday June 8th

Monday July 6th

