

Carlton Village Neighbourhood Forum: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 3(R)

Wednesday 8th January 2020 at 7.30pm at Jan and Laurie's House

3.1 Present: Abbie Miladinovic (AM) Jan Furlong (JF), Laurie Furlong (LF), Jacqueline Rooney (JR), Chris Genn (CG), Kathy Genn (KG) Cllr. Stewart Golton (SG) Peter Ellis (PE)

Apologies: Helen Nuttal (HN), Kevin Kuszyk (KK), Kaylee Pitts (KP), Mark Pitts (MP), Cllr. Diane Chapman (DC), Cllr. Carmel Hall

3.2 Minutes of previous meeting accepted as a true record.

3.3 Matters and Actions Arising from the Previous Meeting.

Arriva Funding

SG indicated that the funds to be directed to Arriva Bus Company were part and parcel of the documentation submitted at the Strawberry Fields Appeal and approved by the Inspector thus making it very difficult to change. It was though reiterated that the idea of increasing the frequency of the 444 service was of negligible benefit to Carlton and yet it was Carlton that had to suffer the consequences of the proposed development.

Strawberry Fields

In the absence of KK at the meeting it was unknown if the developers representative had been contacted

Website and Communications

Efforts had been made to transfer administrator for Facebook and email address etc.

2.5 Policy Intentions Workshop

Abbie Miladinovic had been contacted and the Workshop would be on the 20th January. Thanks to JF for sorting out the venue

2.10 Ownership Plan

PE had circulated a plan showing LCC ownership in Carlton

PE had also circulated a document he had put together allied to the history of Carlton

3.4 Committee Roles and Responsibilities

It was agreed to defer discussion of this matter to the next meeting

3.5 Policy Intentions Workshop

a. Arrangements for the Workshop

The date would be as discussed and the venue would be the Cricket Club. PE would bring his overhead projector and screen, though it was hoped the Cricket Club would have a screen. Peter would try to arrive before 7.30pm to set things up

b. Review of what is involved

PE ran through what he hoped would be the basis of the presentation/workshop which it was hoped would help clarify the actions required to identify embryonic policies for inclusion in the eventual Plan. AM answered questions in respect of the Workshop and what we could expect to understand from the event.

3.6 Web Site & Communications.

Email and Facebook issue needed to be resolved. Hopefully KK would be able to resolve. Steve Carmody had been contacted about the matter

3.7 Finance

JR confirmed the funds presently held in the name of the Forum were circa £200

3.8 Strawberry Fields

A Community Right to Bid

In 2015 the Forum had nominated a piece of land opposite the Unicorn as Community Asset. Because the land was now the subject of a sale, the Forum had been consulted to see if it wanted to submit a statement of intent to instigate a community bid for the land. It was agreed that the Community would have to be consulted which would include writing to Forum Members and something posted on Facebook. Last date for submitting an intent to bid was 20th January

PE indicated that the value of the land based on typical figures around Wakefield, suggested a sum of circa £350k, however this was just a rough assessment. Apart from the likely sum involved, PE indicated there was some concern about eligibility of the Forum to make the statement and also he was concerned about setting in motion the 6 month moratorium period i.e. No bid coming to fruition in that 6 month period and negotiations with the developer being impeded. However it was something on which the Community would have to be consulted about.

Action: PE to confirm outcome of the matter

b. Developer contact

No contact had been made with the developer it was assumed (KK to confirm), but the person to speak to at Millers had been identified and of course there was also Miller's Planning Consultant Mr Dunbavin who was happy to be contacted in respect of the proposals

c. Development Preferences

If contact was made with the Developer it would be necessary to be clear of Forum preferences and PE indicated that these should really be structured around the Forum objectives to provide a consistency going forward

3.9 Any Other Business

PE Indicated he was intending to speak to a planning consultant (Mr Mike Dando) who had contacted him about providing assistance with the Neighbourhood Plan. PE had corresponded with Ian Mackay from LCC on this matter. Mr Dando has significant experience with Plans and has been involved with a number through to final ratification. PE hoped that it would be possible to identify focussed aspects of the Neighbourhood Plan with which Mr Dando might be able to assist, both for Carlton and Rothwell.

Action: PE to update the Group

3.10 Date and Time of Next Meeting.
Wednesday 12th February at Jan and Laurie's Home