

BUCKDEN PARISH COUNCIL
LARGE SCALE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting 10/5/2021

Present:

Martin Hassall (Chair), Ramune Mimiene (Clerk), Allan Jones, John Thelwall, Anne Howell-Jones.

Apologies: Mark Ward, Hamish Masson; Stan Studd

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- a. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

2. Actions

All actions from the previous meeting were completed except actions:

- a. Network Rail and Offords Crossing

- i. It was agreed the Buckden and the Offords should try to work together on the traffic issues associated with the Offord Crossing. **ACTION: AHJ/MH to set up a meeting with the Offords Parish Council to agree a way forward following the making of the Buckden Neighbourhood Plan**

3. Terms of Reference (ToR)

- a. The new ToR for the Committee were approved by the Committee.
- b. The Committee proposed and agreed that MH would continue as the Chair of the Committee.

4. HDC next steps following successful NP referendum:

- a. Review latest response from Aaron Sands: **ACTION: JT Jon to send out his CCC doc ref Aaron 5th May note – AHJ to send out as reply to Aaron cc David Allatt**
- b. Meeting with HDC Jon Neish – AHJ informed the Committee that no response had been received to repeated notes to HDC's Councillor, Jon Neish, which was described as disappointing.
- c. Parish Council to detail any contributions they might seek from the development – AHJ reported that none of the requests made

by BPC were taken up by the developer. Funds are potentially being allocated to the School (Section 106) and the Doctor's Surgery – in the case of the Doctor's this is likely to be significantly less than what would be needed

- d. RFC data, et al – The Committee noted that Pell Frischmann junction data referred to in the note from Aaron Sands would fail to meet the Neighbourhood Plan policy requirements if their 2018 data is used as Aaron Sands suggests.
- e. Pollution measurement and impact – following update from Aaron Sands. The Committee discussed pollution and particularly the impact of the proposed new traffic lights on the roundabout. It was agreed that BPC should understand better what pollution monitoring that we do have and how it could be improved.

ACTION: AJ to understand current HDC / Buckden pollution monitoring, contact and compare with the monitoring performed on the Sandy Roundabout.

- 5. Stirtloe Lane and Roundabout complaint to Highways England
 - a. Agree final wording of the complaint – the final wording of the complaint was agreed. **ACTION: RM to send complaint to Highways England.**
 - b. Recording of near misses and monitoring by Highways England – the Committee noted that no evidence that this requirement against and agreed to by Highways England has ever been completed. **ACTION: AJ to investigate the Highways England process for Freedom of Information requests re: Stirtloe lane and Silver Street**
 - c. **ACTION: AHJ agree BPC position on A1 re: roundabout and Stirtloe Lane and raise HE report on A1 bypass with A1 safety Working Group.**

6. Flooding and Anglian Water

- a. MH reported that he had been in contact with Hannah Wilson of Anglian Water. She has raised BPC's and residents concerns about the foul water capacity of the village with HDC Planning Control. Whilst this doesn't change their conclusion to the planning application, she is liaising with her Operations Team to understand the current situation. Once she hears back from them she should will provide an update to ensure that BPC are fully informed. **ACTION: MH to follow up.**

- b. Hilary Ellis, Flood Risk & Biodiversity Business Manager (Acting), reported to MH re: Attenuation Basin flood risk on the Bloor Lucks Lane development She has asked Bloor Homes for an update as she hasn't heard any update from them since her last email back in March. She agreed that this was concerning and she will push this issue strongly with them. Hilary also agreed to speak with HDC. **ACTION: MH to follow up.**

7. Press Coverage

- a. The Committee considered publicising the villages flood issues and risk from groundwater.

8. AOB

- a. There was no AOB.