

FONTMELL MAGNA NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

MONITORING GROUP

Minutes of Meeting held at 10.00 on 12th October 1922 in the Village Hall

Present:

Barry Roberts (Chairman)
John Gilbert
Michael Hobbs
Michael Humphreys
Roy King
John Knight
Robert McCurrach
Dick Stainer

The Chairman welcomed John Gilbert to the meeting.

1. Apologies

Andrew Davis

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 26th August were agreed. Terms of Reference to be circulated to members.

3. Minutes of Meetings

Agreed, that minutes would be circulated to members of PC.

4. Possible Volunteers to join NPMG

As requested, MHo had provided a list of new arrivals in the village over the last two years and it was agreed to circulate the list to NPMG members.

5. Blandford's Farm Update

MHu reported on the meeting with Intelligent Land on 5th September (see his note dated 3/9/22). At the Parish Council meeting on the 4th October there had been discussion on whether there was a so-called "ransom strip" between Site 20 and Site 22. MH pointed out that it was clear from the neighbourhood Plan that there should be continuity between the two sites.

BR suggested there were three main issues over Site 22, viz:

1. The number of dwellings. NP had limited this to 10, but IL had pointed out that 10 units would be large, with big gardens, whereas NP is clear in emphasising the need for smaller units.
2. The suggested access off West Street was causing concern to residents
3. The barn would need to be demolished, and though NP proposed employment/community facilities, the demand for these could not easily be assessed. There was discussion on whether offices or light industrial premises would be wanted, or even a block of small residential units.

There was discussion on how NPMG and the PC should proceed. IL will be coming back with further proposals, and a layout for the site, and it may be appropriate to consider more than 10 dwellings if they are of suitable size. MHu suggested that the approach should be to facilitate discussions between the different landowners and developers, and this was agreed.

6. Public Meeting on 30th November

The aim would be to celebrate the fourth anniversary of the Neighbourhood Plan, and to plan the way forward, including an update of the Plan.

MHu had asked members for their thoughts on the NP, and members were urged to respond. BR suggested that the update should consider:

1. An improved list of contents
2. Include measures to respond to climate change
3. Include measures to cope with surface water and rainwater run-off
4. Cover traffic and speed
5. Have an up-to-date assessment of housing need.

DS felt that more attention should be paid to environmental issues.

For the meeting itself, MHu reported that Jo Witherden would not be available, but that Ed Gerry from DC Planning might be a possibility.

The original presentation material will be put up on the screens.

Timing would be:

- 7.00pm Meeting opens, people given questionnaire on arrival]
- 7.30pm Formal presentation (powerpoint)
- 8.15pm Questions and people free to circulate

MHu will assemble powerpoint presentation and will need input from members. He will also request funding from PC.

RJMcC will draft Gossip Tree item and liaise with Laura Kurton for publicity.

RK will draft questionnaire.

Refreshments will comprise tea coffee, wine and nibbles. Organiser to be arranged.

BR will chair meeting, and it will aim to recruit volunteers for the NP Update Working Group and to set a date for a first meeting on the group.

7. Heritage Assets

BR, DS and RK will meet to assess the list in line with DC criteria.

8. AOB

None

9. Date of next Meeting

Monday 14th November at 2.30pm in the Village Hall.

RJMcC

17/10/22