

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council (SMPC)

Minutes of the Neighbourhood Steering Group Meeting held at Methodist Church Hall, Mortimer on Tuesday 16th of May 2023 at 7:30pm

Notes

1. Present

Doug Overett (DO - Acting as Chair), Bob Coe (BC), Sabina Netherclift (SN), (AM),
Graham Bridgman (GB), & Neil Kiley (NK)
Ana Hernandez (AH)(Minute Taker)

2. Apologies

Joanne Emberson-Wines (JE), Nick Carter (NC), Amanda Marsden (AM)

3. Declarations of Interest

None

4. Working Group Reports

4.1 Reserved Land

- Issues with the Development have resulted on delays
- Latest communications with Steve Davies from TA Fisher & DO:
 - Setback could impact on the delivery of any new building for the dental practice.
 - The delays we're now faced with in delivering Phase2/Phase 3 will have a knock-on effect in timings for servicing the reserve land.
- To continue to plan for Phase 2 and secure Phase 3
- Next step: To write a review for Plan B and the wish to retain and secure the Reserved Land for another 5 years; secure it as it is, for educational use and healthcare for review.
- What is the procedure to put through the review?

- To have sensible conversation with TA Fisher into what can be achieved and move forward with planning and a fresh application that the Parish Council feels comfortable with and can fully support.

4.2 New Neighbourhood Plan

- To remove timeline from website until new schedule and deadlines have been set. **(Ana Action to email Nick)**

- The general consensus from the Steering Group is to press pause on the workshops until we get a more detailed report from Bluestone or a way to see that their work ethic and quality has improved.

- To circulate the last communications with Bluestone, and to get in touch with them showing the concern as a group. **(Action SN – to agree on this with Amanda and Jo)**

- To clarify finances with Bluestone and confirm what has been paid, and what is still outstanding **(Action SN)**

- To reduce workshops from 6, and fit them into x3 general groups, in order to have more input per section:

- Green/Climate Workshop
- Infrastructure Workshop
- General Planning Workshop

5. AOB

- Once more clarity has been received from Bluestone, Steering Group to revisit the entire schedule and to establish achievable timelines.

Close

Meeting closed at 20:30

Next meeting – 20.06.2023 at 19:30pm – Methodist Church Hall, Mortimer