

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council (SMPC)

Minutes of the Neighbourhood Steering Group Meeting held at Methodist Church Hall, Mortimer on Tuesday 21st of March 2023 at 7:30pm

Notes

1. Present

Bob Coe (BC), Nick Carter (NC), Sabina Netherclift (SN), Amanda Marsden (AM),
Joanne Emberson-Wines (JE)(Chair), Graham Bridgman (GB), Neil Kiley (NK) &
Ana Hernandez (AH)(Minute Taker)

2. Apologies

Doug Overett (DO)

3. Declarations of Interest

None

4. General

- The meeting minutes are quite hidden on the SMPC website, not listed under committees or working parties.
- To decide how our group links to SMPC website; check with Lynn & Jo. **(Action AH)**
- To get a copy of the Bluestone brief. **(Action AM)**

5. Working Group Reports

5.1 Reserved Land

- Finish planning application as it hasn't been sent. West Berkshire is aware of the Proposal and the Parish Council supports the planning application.
- Can Bluestone adapt their input and adjust the budget? To check with Doug and Lynn what the flexibility was for the application advice. **(Action JE)**

- TA Fisher is submitting two applications, is there a risk for our application
- We should know where we stand in regards to the Reserved Land by the end of 2023, and then decide if it needs to change (no need to re – discuss until 2024)

5.2 New Neighbourhood Plan

- We haven't received any feedback from Bluestone on the public consultations since Nov 2022.
- Not one person from the Willink has completed the survey
- To follow up with an email of disappointment and establish a performance marker and set some clear deadlines from now on; Amanda to draft and approve with Jo. **(Action AM)**
- To pin point a workshop with Bluestone once the deadline has been established for the public consultations report. **(Action AM)**
- The group agrees 4 weeks from now is an acceptable deadline to expect the report from Bluestone; once received, to allow ourselves another 4 weeks to set up the workshop. (Estimated date mid/end May)
- To send a reply in support of the development for the local transport plan. **(Action BC - Completed)**

6. AOB

- To share the updated terms of references. **(Action AM)**

Close

Meeting closed at 20:30

Next meeting – 18.04.2023 at 19:30pm – Methodist Church Hall, Mortimer