

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council (SMPC)

Minutes of the Neighbourhood Steering Group Meeting held at Methodist Church Hall, Mortimer on Tuesday 20th of February 2024 at 7:30pm

Notes

1. Present

Doug Overett (DO); Graham Bridgman (GB); Neil Kiley (NK); Tennant Barber (TB); Amanda Marsden; Sabina Netherclift (SN); Ana Hernandez (AH – Minute Taker)

2. Apologies

Joanne Emberson-Wines (JE - Chair); Nick Carter (NC); Bob Coe (BC);

3. Declarations of Interest

None

4. Working Group Reports

4.1 Reserved Land

- Steve still waiting for feedback from West Berkshire in terms of the Pre – application.
- Parishes response to Inspector's questions went in today, Part 1-3 (due 22nd of March for the remaining)

4.2 New Neighbourhood Plan

- Circulated themes; Need to approve and sent to a professional to draft legally.

HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT

- Encourage on-street parking? (Remove)
- Re word access to public right of way
- CIL on footpaths or cycle paths (Remove)
- Quiet Lane? To be flagged

COMMUNITY ENERGY

- To properly define what is community and community energy (Energy which is shared by the community)
- Support 3rd parties
- Stratfield Mortimer Community – to define how wide do we mean by community

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

- Who is doing the mapping of the Green Corridors?
- Designated Green Spaces, are they all correct?
 - Windmill Common: it isn't a common; to be included
 - Foundry Brook, 10mts strip (Remove)
 - To add the woodland at the back of the barriers going up to the hill, known as Lampton's Wood

ENVIRONMENTAL RIGHT

- Climate change and resilience
- Amendment to the antiflooding and bio diversity paragraph (**Action done by Graham**)
- To look at the use of trees for cooling buildings and the use of airflow

5. Actions

- Bob and Tennant to tender to consultants
- Neil to call his known consultant
- To find someone to do some work on Design Codes and a Housing Need Assessment

Close

Meeting closed at 21:15

Next meeting – 19.03.2024 at 19:30pm – Methodist Church Hall, Mortimer