

SNDP WG Meeting Notes 28/04/21

Meeting started 19:45

Agenda

1. Apologies - None. The meeting code did not work for some reason, hence the late start and illustrating the usefulness of the contact list. Present SK as chair, RH, SB, PS, Terry M, JM, Lucy Hughes.
2. Minutes - apologies from SK, these have not been finished in time for circulation. Both last weeks and today's will be circulated over the weekend.
3. Feed back from Lucy Hughes: - Nothing to be gained from removing PG6, the SADPD will have it in and as a higher document, will take precedence. LH still feels it is a strong policy and likely to be as "good as it gets". One of our Green Gaps is within the SB, so if classes as "open Countryside" might actually be better protected. CEC known to have strengthened the policy after Marsh Green Rd issue. LH of the opinion that - since we have affordable housing within the SA, then the call for affordable housing in the open countryside cannot really hold water. Is the relative lack of AH compared with expectations a vulnerability? Agreement to leave the Policy as it is. No response to Barry Moran is required, but can extend an invitation to join WG. LH has pointed out that we shall need to make another application for a grant to Locality to cover REG 14 outcome and preparation for Phase 3. A total of 10k may be claimed, less what we have already used, and there is the contribution from STC as well. The next few months are likely to be much more costly than the past years have been.
4. Review of Historic Assets List - RH has not had a call from GPJ yet. What do we want from this. The Landscape Character Assessment identifies some specific properties in Elworth e.g. St Peters, Mount Pleasant Church, and the Fox Inn and the theme of Gilbert Scott buildings runs strongly through Sandbach. The character of the individual villages is crucial to the protection from infill development. LH thinks it would be useful to get Greg at CEC to do a Map with all these buildings on and will put a paragraph in the Policy referencing the Sandbach Character Assessment. Since Appendix 4 has been removed, there must be a hyperlink to the Historical Assets Document.
5. Maps - JM has sent the comments and instructions to Greg, who has been on annual leave until now - we can expect to have an update from him in respect of this in early May. This should be true for the Open Spaces map as well - RH comments that at a recent CEC conference, the link to a Map of CEC Assets had few entries at this time. No news on the Strategic Environmental Assessment at this time, although in theory the period of assessment is over. We shall need to give instruction to Ann Banks - the timing of submission to the NDP to TE at CEC will be early June. LH is to prepare the wording of the "Notice" regarding the SNDP going out to Reg 14, as this is important. **Action SK to contact ANN Banks in respect of this - done Action SK to contact Ann & Mike Wellings in respect of the need to have a dedicated email address to collect responses to REG14 and paper responses to be collected from the Council Offices by the WG - done**
6. Date of next meeting Tuesday 11th May 19:30