

WINDSOR 2030

Notes for steering group CNPB on 31/3/15

Sir Christopher Wren Hotel

Present: Paul Roach, Phil McMichael, Sue Watts, Dermot Whelan, Laura Reiter, Ian Bellinger, Ian Church, George Bathurst

John, Claire Milne

Apologies Martin Miranda, Jutta Stuede, Ian Jones

Minutes of the last meeting

Planning meeting objectives – **this is to be circulated to attending member**

Focus points for local plan.

Retail study

Housing numbers for Peascod quarter site.

Concern over the seeing change in policy.

Retail Capacity study currently being undertaken by DTZ.

Work on indicative policy based on vision boards from neighbourhood plan.

Agree a closer working relationship

Clarify our objectives.

BLP working time line and DTZ. – will we be consulted on draft report ??

Request a follow up meeting on DTZ working paper.

Seek support from Ian Bellinger/ Sarah Ball

Key themes strengthening key policy on heritage, transport (car parking), open spaces, housing numbers
Enforcement level

Planning Meeting – Group joined by Ian Church and Laura Reiter
DW gave a brief update on the agenda for the meeting.

Ian Bellinger – Principal planning officer and link officer for Eton

Structure – no planning policy manager – Sarah Ball Team leader.

Rebecca Williams – housing site data officer

Ian Church – Planning Officer

Jennifer Heaton – research officer stats and keeps register of planning permission

Second option to go to council for June – focusing on housing allocations

Urban sites consulted on in 2014 and pretty complete

Green belt has not been confirmed and outlined in cabinet paper in Feb 2015

Both garden centre sites have been identified as areas of development.

Updating evidence base is key task s. approach all land owners and still accepting recommendations up until June. limited time after June to submit other sites.

Retail programme - workshop part of the evidence base and looking at catchment areas and working with slough as joint commission.

Floor space

National market

Full draft expected in the next few weeks.

Consult with neighbours on draft

Preferred option set out initially in 2014 but not made public

If it is considered that from the new workshop that no significant difference has been made, the draft will remain unchanged.

Phil requested that any information from the group we can feed in we could do and is relevant, recent and qualitative..

GB keen that Windsor defined as a major shopping centre and its unique feel. Concern that the current paper down grades Windsor's significance and its distinct and National appeal which should not be underplayed.

IC explained the following:

Concern over the lack of housing sites and identification of where they go.

Housing market area now defined by Berkshire or east Berkshire slough, Windsor and Maidenhead and Buckinghamshire with the possibility of adding Wokingham and other authorities.

Cabinet has decided that more needs to be done on this and there is pressure to do more.

23 sites down to 2

Need to have more sites identified - Examiner puts pressure on the council to do this

Major supply expected to be in Maidenhead upto 60 %

Trying to establish an evidence based on the work to deliver the targets in the final plan.

Updating demographic work expected to be delivered by June

Some of the estimates will be based on the market and what it is delivering in terms of flats vs houses. It is based on what is right for the location.

IC needed help from the NP groups with housing allocations and potential sites

Retail Capacity – Peascod Place

Dtz report will be comparison based results on number of unit available and what the market says .

Report will not go into details of type of stores

Telephone survey will highlights themes of what shoppers want.

NP should feed in good evidence on what people feel the town needs and feed into DTZ

Communication - no update

Finance – no update

Any other Business - none

Date of next meeting TBC