

Edenfield Community Neighbourhood Forum

Minutes from Management Committee Meeting held on 8th November 2023 at the Secretary's home.

Committee attendees: - Mervyn MacDonald (Chair); Helen McVey (Deputy Chair); Ian Lord (Secretary); Vincent Brady (Treasurer); Paul Bradburn; Richard Bishop; Margaret Filkins; Richard Lester

Co-opted attendees: none

Apologies received from: Dave Rawcliffe

1) Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting dated 10/10/23

Mervyn asked if all present at that meeting had reviewed the minutes. A vote was taken and the minutes were unanimously accepted with no objections and then duly signed.

2) Matters arising from 10/10/23 meeting

There were no matters arising not covered by agenda items.

3) Treasurers report

Vince reported that donations received so far in October and November were £1,365. Total funds are now £4,125 nearly all of which is unrestricted. Paul was thanked for the EVRA donation of £500.

Payments of £124 for printing and £396 for SK Transport Planning were approved.

4) Neighbourhood Plan

Ian reported that AECOM had completed the amendments to the Design Code and had confirmed that they considered it was now compliant with the Local Plan. A copy had been appended to the Forum's objection to the latest Masterplan. A summary of the amendments was now being prepared.

Amendments to the Neighbourhood Plan are being finalised after which it will be updated and sent to the Council.

5) H66 Development

Five members of the committee had met Taylor Wimpey (TW) and Pegasus Group on 7th November and were concerned that TW considered that the Masterplan and Design Code were likely to be approved by the Council before the end of the year and the Planning application by early 2024 without any further significant changes. It appears that the main objections of the Forum and residents are being largely ignored. Of particular concern is the apparent acceptance by LCC Highways of the latest transport proposals without further engagement with the Forum and RBC. RBC have been contacted and requested to follow up as a matter of urgency previous requests for a LCC/RBC/ Forum meeting.

The Forum's representations on the latest version of the Masterplan and Design Code had been submitted on 6th November.

Northstone have submitted a planning application for 50 houses on their part of H66 with access onto Blackburn Road. This includes proposals for a car park on Green Belt land off Burnley Road. The consultation period is only three weeks ending on 14th November but the notification process has been lacking with many residents not being timely aware of the application. The Council are to be requested to extend the deadline. The application documents are being reviewed and the Forum will submit a representation. This will include the requirement that the H66 masterplan and Design Code should be approved before consideration of the individual site planning applications can be finalised.

6) Planning application 2022/0577 (Alderwood)

Nothing further to report. The application is in abeyance pending an agreed H66 Masterplan/Design Code.

7) Communications/PR

Arrangements for publishing information and advice on the TW meeting and the Northstone Planning Application were agreed. The Forum's representation on the latest Masterplan and Design Code is to be posted on the website.

8) Fund raising

Nothing further to report.

9) Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 11th December at 7.30pm at the Secretary's home.

10) Any Other Business.

None

Signed  Chair.

Date 11/12/23