



SOULTON ROAD WEM COMMUNITY-LED HOUSING PROJECT STEERING GROUP

Minutes of the Meeting of the Steering Group held on Thursday 27 March 2014, at the Council Chamber, Edinburgh House, Wem starting at 5.30pm

Present:

Members: Cllr Peter Broomhall (Chair), Cllr Bev Horsley, Cllr Bob Parsons, Cllr Chris Mellings, Cllr Edward Towers and Mrs Helen Pugh.

Clerk: Carole Warner

Members of the Public: 3

SG07/14 Public Participation Time

Mrs S Robinson raised several points in connection with the development and hoped that they would be addressed during the meeting. Mrs Robinson asked whether an application had been submitted as 'Community-Led' and whether any funding to the developer, Severnside or the Parish Council been agreed.

SG08/14 Apologies for absence

None

SG09/14 Minutes of the meeting held on 6 February 2014 to be approved and signed.

The Minutes of the meeting were approved and signed.

SG10/14 To review matters outstanding from previous meeting.

Mrs Pugh advised she would be responding to Mr Robinson in respect of direct solar radiation on his property following development. She acknowledged the response from Severnside had been slow but the matter had been given considerable consideration.

Mrs Pugh advised that Steve Price (Severnside) was Clerk of Works for the development and she would ensure his contact details were given to Mr and Mrs Robinson.

In response to one of Mrs Robinson's concerns Mrs Pugh advised the access to the site now accords to the submitted plans. It was agreed following a suggestion by Mrs Pugh that a representative of the developer should attend the next meeting of the Steering Group.

With respect to the concerns regarding the boundary, the ownership of trees and the inaccuracies of the submitted landscaping plans, Mrs Pugh suggested that representatives

of Severnside/developer should meet on site with Mr and Mrs Robinson to resolve these issues. Mrs Pugh would advise the Clerk of the date.

With respect to the concerns raised Mrs Robinson regarding the safety of the proposed crossing of Soultan Road it was agreed that the Clerk would make enquiries of Shropshire Council Highways.

Mrs Pugh advised that Shropshire Council had approved the more detailed remediation strategy with regard to contaminated land and this should appear on Shropshire Council's website in due course.

The Clerk advised that an application had been submitted to Shropshire Council by Severnside and the Parish Council under Shropshire Council's Community-Led Housing Grant Scheme. The application had been approved and funding would be available. The Clerk stressed that this was a local Shropshire Council scheme with criteria set by Shropshire Council and should not be confused with national schemes with similar names.

Cllr Horsley left the meeting

SG11/14 To review project progress including:

Mrs Pugh advised:

- Enabling works on site had commenced.
- Relevant reports/plans are to be made available for public viewing through Shropshire Council's Public Access system.

The site sign was approved. Mrs Pugh acknowledged it was an imposing sign but it complied with specifications agreed with funders. It was requested that to mitigate any visibility impact on neighbours the siting of the board should be carefully considered.

The proposed name of the site was agreed as Round Meadow.

Severnside to liaise with the Clerk regarding the sod cutting ceremony.

The Clerk advised that once the name of the site had been agreed by Shropshire Council details would appear on the Parish Council's new website.

SG12/14 To agree date of next meeting and to consider future agenda items

The next meeting of the Steering Group was agreed as Thursday 1 May, 5.30pm at Edinburgh House.

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