

Minutes of the Meeting of St Ives Neighbourhood Plan Built Environment Topic

Group:

Date: 15.10.13.

Venue: Guildhall, St Ives

1. PRESENT Action
Rex Henry (Chair)
Rob Van Hove (Minutes)
Annette Abell
Stuart Abell
Geoff Williamson
Christine Marenah
Tamsyn Williams
Gillian Bailey
C Robb Worthington
Beth Grossman
Ian McChesney

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
None received

3. DECLARATION OF MEMBER INTEREST
None declared

4. PREVIOUS MINUTES
These were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair, with the following addition:
RH & RVH to look at Design Guidance.

5. MATTERS ARISING
Gonwin Farm (SUE1): Wiltshire CC have refused planning approval for a major development on grounds including that the development would prejudice the ongoing Neighbourhood Plan process. To be discussed with Andy England (CC Senior Planner responsible for Neighbourhood Plans) who will be attending next StGrp. TW/RH

Cornwall Local Plan update: The population growth projections on which the LP is based were revised downwards by CC politicians at an early stage. CC Planners have consulted the Planning Inspectorate who consider this is likely to be unacceptable. CC full council will make a decision on this in January and if the figures are amended upwards they *may* have to reconsult the public, which would delay submission of the LP to early 2015. Advice from Planning is that this *may* not delay the NP, as long as there are no significant divergences from the LP, but this requires clarification (through the SG). There is some inconsistency in the St Ives/Carbis Bay target figures, for which GW has requested clarification from CC. However, the implication for the St Ives area would be an increase in the target for new homes of 100.

6. STEERING GROUP REPORT
Meeting with Planning Officers (Marcus Healan and Chandelle): They presented a statement defining those issues which were relevant to a Neighbourhood Plan. There are some inconsistencies in this.

Andy England has apparently stated that a NP can stipulate the occupancy (eg. primary resident only) of new homes.

Agreed RH to seek clarification on both of the above at the meeting with AE. RH

7. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
The Halsetown consultation was held on 5th October and was modest but successful with around 30 people attending. Issues raised were useful and positive, being mostly locally based, including conservation of lanes, lack of pavements, any development to reflect the nature/pattern of settlement and use local stone, additional footpath required to St Ives. Agreed RH to request StGrp produces summary of feedback for each

meeting (BG offered to type up).

RH

The following further public consultation meetings are to be held (3 - 6pm + entertainment to 9pm – set up from 2.30pm):

19th Oct: Lelant.

2nd Nov: Carbis Bay.

16th Nov: St Ives.

The questionnaire has already been issued to Lelant residents.

Volunteers are now required for the Lelant meeting to explain the issues and help members of the public with questionnaire queries. GB, TW, CM, BG, AA, SA, RH, RW agreed to attend for the BETG.

8. VISION STATEMENT

Agreed RH & RS's first draft to be circulated by RH for discussion at next meeting.

RH

10. TASKS

- Enhancing the tourism experience: GB circulated a draft report.

- Improving the retail environment: BG & TW reported on their draft recommendations: BG to circulate draft report.

BG

Meeting thanked GB, BG & TW for their valuable contributions. These topics to be returned to at a future meeting.

- Design Guidance: RH & RVH to arrange meeting to further this, others invited to join. RH/RVH to circulate date. RVH to recirculate draft Planning Brief to AA, RW.

RVH
/RH

- Group walkabout in central St Ives to view and discuss streets, public spaces & areas of concern – RH to arrange.

RH

- Existing Town Council policies: TW has investigated. SITC do not have a list! The only current policies appear to be: permitting plastic windows in conservation areas if in traditional style; referring applications for tree removal to CC's Tree Officer and not taking a view. Agreed both of these policies might be tackled in NP.

- Town Council Byelaws: TW has investigated. SITC do not have a list! TW encouraged by meeting to press further.

TW

- List of properties owned by SITC/CC: CM has obtained SITC list and will now approach CC.

CM

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Workshop Sat 30th Nov: NP process. Contact Lucy if you wish to attend. To be followed by workshops on content of NP in New Year.

14. NEXT MEETING:

Date to be confirmed.

RH

Meeting closed at: 8.45p.m.

Chairman's signature: