



## WARE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

# Steering Group

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023, 7pm via zoom .

### Minutes

Clr Stephen Reed – Ware Town Council  
Clr Ian Kemp – East Herts District Council  
Clr Mark Pope – Ware Town Council  
Keith Batchelor - Town Watch, Raynet  
Julian Bond – Save Ware’s Greenbelt  
Joy Cotterell – Ware Society  
John Wing (Ware Museum)  
Alasdair Reid  
Jan Stock (Chair) – Wodson Park

#### **Not present:**

Clr Alex Curtis – Ware Town Council

#### **Apologies**

Alasdair Reid  
Alison Eardley  
Mark Montgomery, Herts Police

#### **ATTENDING**

Terry Philpott, Town Clerk

**NPSG084. To approve the minutes of the last meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022 to note any actions not included on the agenda:**

- The minutes were approved as an accurate record.

#### **NPSG085: NE Ware Development Planning application**

To review and provide feedback on the NE Ware Development, a broad discussion followed with a summary detailed below.

- The NPSG were concerned that not all of the documents are available for review
- The plan to hold public meetings after the formal closing dates for feedback did not feel appropriate.
- The NPSG identified that the review period should extend for 15 weeks.
- Concern was raised re the inclusion of Beacon Road play area which in some reports was included within the development boundary and others in the area of the Neighbourhood Plan.
- The NPSG were keen to support the level of social housing identified in previous consultation at 40%.
- A robust traffic management plan for the development period is required
- Previous consultations identified that no construction traffic would be allowed through the Town Centre, this did not look to be a realistic proposal based on the information provided.

## Highways

It was confirmed that the proposed highways works within Ware Town Centre were outline proposals and would be discussed further with members of the Ware Community, potentially in late 2023.

- If Station Road were to be made one way it should have a contra flow cycle route as it is part of the sustrans route.
- Concern was raised about the number of HGVs potentially in the town centre of the spine road is not completed.

## Planning – Application Summary

3/22/2406/FUL | Hybrid planning application, comprising:

Outline approval for a residential-led mixed-use development for up to 1,800 new market and affordable homes, including self-build and custom build homes and around 3 hectares of new employment provision, mixed-use local neighbourhood centres, new retail, business, commercial and community uses, new and expanded primary schools, with early years facilities and new secondary school provision, new public open space and outdoor sports facilities, including all an weather 3G sports pitch, the provision of plots for Travelling showpeople, new ecological areas, allotments, woodlands and other public areas, new pedestrian, cycle and vehicular accesses and movement networks within the site, associated drainage and SuD's infrastructure, utilities, energy and waste facilities and enabling infrastructure works to the existing highway, other supporting works, facilities and infrastructure, together with associated temporary enabling works and structures.

With all matters reserved for later approval, apart from works in connection with the associated primary and secondary access junctions at the A10/A117/Moles Farm interchange and the access junction at the B1004 at Widbury Hill and at Fanhams Hall Road.

b) Full planning approval for internal highways works relating to the construction of Stages 1a and 1b of the Sustainable Transport Corridor, linking the A10/A1170 to the B1004, via the new access junctions, as defined on the Movement and Access Parameter Plan and the Detailed Access Plans. | Land North And East Of Ware (WARE2) Ware Hertfordshire

### **NPSG086: Submission to East Herts**

To agree the next steps following the current consultation ending at the end of January 2023.

- Obtain Inspector details and agree the appointment
- Manage the feedback from the consultation and update the plan
- Target date for referendum 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023, to tie in with the local elections.
- Consideration of how to promote the referendum plan to be discussed at the next meeting.

### **NPSG087: Website update and Communications (AR)**

Verbal update re the NPF website at the next meeting.

### **NPSG088. Any other business and date of next meeting.**

Next meeting Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023 on zoom.