



WARE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Ware Neighbourhood Plan Forum

Tuesday 16th February 2021 via Zoom at 7.00pm

Minutes

PRESENT:

Cllr Stephen Reed – Ware Town Council
Cllr Ian Kemp – East Herts District Council
Keith Batchelor - Town Watch, Raynet
Julian Bond – Save Ware’s Greenbelt
Joy Cotterell – Ware Society
Alasdair Reid
Peter Radley
John Wing (Ware Museum) from 7.30pm
Jan Stock (Chair) – Wodson Park

Not present:

Cllr Alex Curtis – Ware Town Council
Cllr Mark Pope – Ware Town Council
Mark Montgomery, Herts Police (apologies sent)
Jan Wing – Ware Town Partnership, CVS
ClairThorne

ATTENDING

Terry Philpott, Town Clerk:

NPF129. To approve the minutes of the last meeting 19th January 2021, and to note any actions not included on the agenda:

The minutes were approved as an accurate record.

NPF130: Policy Options for Ware (Alison Eardley Consultant to Ware NPF.)

The distributed paper was reviewed with the following comments and observations.

Action: To provide examples of Town Centre master planning for consideration (AE)

Action all: Examples of store signage issues to be provided, possible link to Ware Society evidence (JC)

Action: To see if any umbrella organisations are looking to undertake Tourist and Town Centre surveys (PR)

Action: To identify character sites. Housing / Industry etc (JohnW / JC)

Action: Non designated heritage assets to be defined (JohnW/ JC/ all)

Action: Increase in Economic Activity sites to be advised (SR)

Action: Mapping options to be provided to all NPF members (AE/TP)

Action: Data from Estate Agents identifying demand from business premises of all sizes (JS/KB)

Action: Supporting Community facilities, identification of key sites including toilets, buildings, and community spaces etc (all)

Action: Broadband requirements, policy to be defined within all residential properties / commercial properties (PR)

Action: To identify enablers to encourage the Tourism industry, possible coach stops? (all)

Action: Visitor Stats from Great Bed of Ware via the museum visitors (JohnW)

Action: River / Waterways ideas to encourage Tourism (all)

Action: Green infrastructure, add to policy details (AE)

Action: Green infrastructure, comprehensive list of green spaces to be protected, assess against criteria (JB/IK/all)

Action: Locally valued spaces to be identified (Herts Wildlife Trust link) (JS)

Action: Locally valued community use buildings to mapped (KB)

Action: Sustainable Transport , functional routes to be identified and mapped to create a policy initial thoughts to be shared with wider group (JS/IK/all)

Action: Historic routes that have been closed following development, evidence to be provided. Identify other areas that would want to retain in the event of future development (JB)

Action: Junctions with problems to be identified, including accident statistics, to facilitate adequate transport modelling for future developments (SR)

Action: Air pollution, to obtain data for base measurement (JS)

Details to be supplied to AE by 2nd March 2021.

NPF131: Locality Funding update

A grant of £6500, has been approved, the funds to be drawn down and spent before 31st March 2021. The balance of £3500 can be applied for on the 2021/22 year.

NPF132: Website update and Communications (AR)

A verbal update re the NPF website.

NPF133: Ongoing actions

Ongoing Action: (JS) to request updated air quality report in the summer of 2019, with profiling of development phase and post building phase, with mitigation. Proposed locations, GSK, Star Street, High Street, Park Road and New Road.

Ongoing Action: All To review the green spaces and views on future use as part of Nature Conservation brief, to photograph and note the locations. JB/DS to support.

Ongoing action: Governance Boundary Changes

Work is ongoing in this area

NPF134. Any other business and date of next meeting.

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