

Datchet Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Meeting Minutes

Date & Time	Wednesday 18th May 2022 4.30 – 6p.m. and Friday 20 th May 2022 4– 5p.m.
Venue	Parish Office
Attendees	Alison Crampin, Marjorie Clasper, Fiona Cryle, Jo Stickland & Ewan Larcombe
Secretary	Jane Simpson
Guests	None

Agenda Item		Action
1.	<p><u>Apologies for absence and announcements</u></p> <p>David Buckley sent his apologies.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Responses to Regulation 14 Consultation</u></p> <p>This meeting was convened to go through all the responses received chapter by chapter.</p> <p>AC had put the list together and, all in all, good comments were received from 7 statutory consultees and 18 non-statutory consultees.</p> <p><u>Chapter 3</u> - EPV's land at Churchmead was discussed and it was agreed that HA41 had been removed from the BLP and was never included in the Joint Minerals & Waste Plan. The land is Green Belt and as such is 'off limits' for the DNP.</p> <p><u>Chapter 4</u> – FC suggested extending the 2/3-bed new builds to include family homes. This was discussed and it was agreed to leave as it is. We have the evidence for downsizing. AC noted that the SHMA already covers a recommended housing mix.</p> <p><u>Chapter 5</u> – As the Datchet Design Guide is a RBWM Supplementary Planning Document, it was agreed that it could not be added as an appendix, as requested by a parish councillor in the consultation.</p> <p><u>Chapter 7</u> – CB had advised about the difficulty of designating views and the need for a focal point. AC will ask CB if we should add a note about this in response to comments which asked for more views to be protected.</p> <p>The history of the jetties was discussed. When the most-recent planning application (c2014) was withdrawn, JSt. who was then the Chair of DPC agreed to hold a village-wide consultation with residents but this had not yet taken place. FC said she would look at past minutes. As boats regularly use the free mooring rings, it was agreed that there was no reliable evidence to show that trade has reduced following the removal of the old jetties. The building of new jetties is a divisive and controversial issue in the village. Funding has been set aside by the present council but there has been no discussion at parish council meetings about types of mooring, numbers and types of jetties, or approval of them and no planning application has been</p>	FC

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	<p>submitted and residents have not been consulted. Meanwhile, DPC has approved designation of the riverside as a protected Local Green Space, and protection of the views from the riverside.</p> <p>Text at 7.42 to be revised: 'is encouraged to install <i>other sustainable alternative heating methods</i> rather than gas boilers' as other methods, not just heatpumps, may become more viable during the lifespan of the DNP.</p> <p>It was agreed that all Thames Water points should be included, if possible, and AC will ask for CB's advice/guidance for wording.</p> <p>CB's advice will be sought about the 'start point' for Biodiversity Net Gain.</p> <p><u>Chapter 9</u> – A resident had asked if the blue routes in figure 9.1 could be extended. This was discussed and it was agreed to leave it as it is. Key Movement Routes are the routes most used to access local facilities. The extensions proposed by the resident are outside the built settlement but are covered in Chapter 10 Non-Policy Actions.</p> <p>EPV said they had consistently offered a bypass. AC had looked back at the plan for the site. There was a route through the centre of the proposed commercial area of the site and also through the residential sections but neither of these could be described as a bypass. In any case, this land is in the Green Belt and it is not within the scope of the DNP to designate Green Belt land for a highway. Furthermore, the bypass as envisaged by EPV would only divert a fraction of the traffic that currently uses the village as a rat run since vehicles wanting to cross the Victoria and Albert bridges would still have to go through the centre of the village to reach them.</p> <p><u>Chapter 10</u> – It was agreed that DNP should be reviewed annually by the DPC at their annual meeting which would give the public an opportunity to comment. A report should be submitted prior to this meeting with comments and contributions from residents during the meeting.</p>	AC
3	<u>Actions to be taken</u>	
3.1	<p>It was agreed that AC would send Chris Bowden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the document with all the responses, • the document listing the feedback chapter by chapter, • the screening report for a Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulations Assessment, noting that RBWM has had approval from Natural England but not, so far, from Historic England and Environment Agency. • A designed copy of the DNP for reference 	AC
3.2	<p>It was agreed that DNPSG would read and comment on the Consultation Statement Draft and give any comments to AC who would then send to CB with a copy of FC's most up-to-date project planner and ask him if that can be used as an appendix. We are aware that we will still need to add to the project planner as we progress.</p>	AC/FC
3.3	<p>AC will notify CB that RBWM hasn't commented on the DNP and ask for his advice and enclose a copy of Rebecca Raine's email on the draft which said RBWM would comment.</p>	AC
3.4		AC

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	AC will advise CB about the judicial review of the BLP which relates to process rather than content as we think the BLP can't officially be described as 'adopted' if there is a judicial review pending.	
4. 4.1	<p><u>Declaration of Interest Form</u></p> <p>AC had typed up a copy of DPC's form and had also re-drafted it in 'plain English' to adapt it to our needs. AC to send out both versions for comments about which one to use.</p>	AC/All
5.	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>EL reported that planning enforcement action has been taken for the removal of the vehicles and the hard standing at the Ditton Road site. In future, this site might be suitable for use as an extension to the cemetery but it was thought that this might require a compulsory purchase.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>Meeting to be convened on receipt of Chris Bowden's response to our consultation documents.</p> <p>FC is away from 8-15 June. The next monthly Steering Group Meeting may be changed from Wednesday 8.6.22 @ 4.30 p.m. An email will be sent.</p> <p>Further monthly meetings – 13.7.22</p>	