

Notes from Winchfield Neighbourhood Development Plan Review
Steering Group and Working Group #17

Monday 11th April 2022 at Pepper Box

Present:

Christine Strudwick (WG/ Working Group lead)
Sarah Garwood
Lynda Goddard
Cllr Kate Stewart
Rod Summerfield
Cllr Meyrick Williams (SG / Steering Group Chair)

Apologies Bill Fraser

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Most of the meeting was spent reviewing and discussing feedback from the recent Community Engagement meeting and the draft text of the Plan to date. Decisions need to be made about possible introduction of a settlement boundary at Beauclerk Green, solar farm 'statement of intent' and parking spaces – Christine will circulate some notes for discussion and final debate at the next meeting to allow time for policy development. Meyrick and Christine will discuss pros / cons with consultant Nick Ward when they speak on Wednesday.

Affordable Housing for Rent. Meyrick and Cllr Hodgetts have spent a lot of time working with Action Hampshire and HDC as the process of deciding on the Housing Provider and the suitability of sites is now in train. Public consultation should be started this summer if all goes to plan but it will probably be two years before any building starts – it's a long process to get these projects underway.

The prospect of a large development to NW of Winchfield is likely although not in the immediate future as HDC has a ten year land supply. Local campaign group 'Keep Hart Green' has announced that Totters Farm has been sold to developers, 57 acres, possibly 1000+ houses.

Meyrick confirmed that letters had been sent to land owners of sites we had proposed as Local Green Space confirming that no LGS sites will be proposed in the Plan at all. Recent technical reports commissioned by HDC in the SHGV project have given enough assurance that land surrounding the Church will be protected in the event of development in Bagwell Lane.

Kate gave us an update on the 'trees' project, Winchfield is now a 'charter branch member' of the Woodland Trust national tree charter project as is Dogmersfield. WPC will approach other neighbouring rural Parishes and encourage them to join the programme. The offer of

'free trees for every house' in Winchfield has been greeted enthusiastically by residents and Kate will be managing the ordering and delivery in due course. Other landowners will be approached to ask if they would like to do more extensive planting.

Open Items.

There were no new action items arising from this meeting.

Baseline data work and research.

1.3 As part of this Revision we will update and add to the Evidence Base which accompanies the Plan, Christine asked that source documentation for anything which might be included in the Plan or any policy please be carefully noted. ALL. ONGOING

7.2 All, please note anything that you see which might be added to a 'local list' as being of special interest to Winchfield. Ongoing.

7.3. There are some projects which we can research now which will add substance to the NDP at a later date. Ongoing

These include:

Plotting trees and hedges to see if we should be requesting more designations, TPOs, SINC, ancient woodland etc. Rod and Kate. Tim Davies and Chris Griffin are happy to assist with this project.

Various maps are now in use to try to plot the ancient hedgerows and see if we can suggest creation of new wildlife corridors. Kate is leading on this, report above, done

9.10 Christine reported that Louise Hodgetts might be able to make contact with the owners of 'Shapley Ponds Copse'. If they are agreeable we would like to get this area registered as a SINC if we can. Update is that the land is owned by a syndicate and the lakes are 'stocked', it is unlikely that we can get SINC designation as the planting is mostly recent and rhododendrons have been allowed to take over. **We might be able to get a lesser protection designated. Ongoing**

Finding out which 'farms' are productive or what they are used for now. Lynda has a list of all the farms and is finding out some interesting information. **ongoing.**

Equestrian activities. Update to the piece that Lucinda Evans wrote for the 2017 NDP. **Lynda, ongoing.**

Ornithology. Chris and Clare Griffin are happy to do some work on this. Christine now has a list of birds from a friend of the Griffins and will chase up Simon Wilson again about the raptors. Done

Houses around the Church. Christine has asked the owners if they can provide any history about their homes. **No great results so far but ongoing**

Winchfield House. Cllr Louise Hodgetts is working with Lord Wigram to produce a piece about Winchfield house. Done. Change in circumstances re: Winchfield House.

Not yet assigned to anyone:

- Church of St Mary's . We will do a more in depth piece about the church for the revision.
- Barley Mow pub and Winchfield Inn – both are very old and have significant features which we didn't cover last time.
- The old Post Office

- Railway and station. We can review the piece Ed Fisher wrote last time and he will probably help if we need to add more information.
- The pottery
- Brick Kilns / Dignity
- Flora (done) Fauna.- with Christine
- Other recreational activities, cycling, walking, paddle boarding, shooting??

Open to suggestions for anything else we would consider to be a recreational activity or a significant feature of Winchfield.

Sarah asked if there was a list of 'inmates' of the workhouse? Meyrick remembered an old tin trunk we had been given by Phil O'Grady (landlord of the Barley Mow) and thought there had been this sort of information in the box.

10.6 Christine will try to contact Rev Ewbank and see if he can remember where the trunk and its contents went to. Sadly not. Done

There was a map of the Winchfield Hospital / work house on the wall of the 'Chapel' before Paul and Kerry moved there, this might have gone to John Almond's son (previous owners).

10.7 Sarah and Lynda will see if they can find John's son and ask if the map of the workhouse still exists. No success with this, Christine will ask Kerry Wedlock again

10.8 The ceramic map which was made by Susan Ferreby (a local potter who lived at 'The Chase') on the wall at the station would be a good photo – Lynda will take a picture of it. Excellent photo now on file. Done

Any Other Business.

There was none.

Meeting closed at 4pm

Date of next meeting

Monday 9th May

Meetings to be held at 2pm at "Pepper Box" unless informed otherwise.

Meeting Dates for 2022

Monday 13th June

Monday 11th July

Monday 8th August

Future Community Engagement meetings:

Sunday 19th June 2022 – apologies from Rod and Kate who are not available.