

# **BIGGLESWADE TOWN PLAN STEERING GROUP MEETING**

**Monday 12 April 2010**

**Biggleswade Town Council Chamber 7.30 p.m.**

**Present:** Gerry Lawrence – Chair, Sheila Grayston, Doreen Evans, Andy Buckley, Kim Sadler, Nicholas Titley, Alan Dansey, Helen Horner, Jemma McLean.

**Apologies:** Eric Stuart, Vic Brunt, Mike Strange.

**Minutes:** E-mailed to members prior to the meeting.  
Proposed by Doreen Evans. Seconded by Alan Dansey

**Matters arising:** No matters arising.

**Agenda 5:** No volunteer to take on the role of Secretary/Note Taker. It was agreed this remain an “open agenda item” until the post is filled. Sheila Grayston to continue to take notes.

**Agenda 6:** Gerry Lawrence reported that the promised public exhibition and consultation for the Town Centre Strategy will not be held in mid April – possible venue is the former Bookworm Store – possible new date in July. There was an emerging Transport Strategy Statement and there were 3 proposed scenarios for long, med and short term. Liaison with Network Rail as it is hope that the rail station would be an Interchange. It was planned to meet with the Health Authority as Biggleswade had been classed as a “priority area”. Central Bedfordshire Council have extended the timescale for Savill’s to produce the final report.

**Agenda 7:** Sam Cauldbeck unable to attend.

**Agenda 8:** Jemma McClean reported feed-back on the Action Plan Tables had been received from the following stakeholders: Ben King – Transport team, John Scott – Fen reeves, Jodie Slater – Savill’s, Lisa White – Central Bedfordshire. Regrettably there had been no comments/input from Bedfordshire Police. Jemma agreed to send the revised Action Tables to Biggleswade Town Council – meeting on 27 April for final comments and adoption of the Plan. It was agreed that when the Plan was adopted by the Biggleswade Town Council the final public consultation could be arranged and that a flier would be delivered to all homes in Biggleswade to publicise the event.

**Agenda 9:** Gerry Lawrence, Andy Buckley, Pam Bagnell and Sheila Grayston agreed to assist with the writing of the final report. Samples of the documents produced by Potton & Shefford were circulated.

Andy volunteered to design the layout of the report and to seek appropriate photographs from Mike Strange.

**Agenda 10:** Date of Next Meeting – MONDAY 10 May 2010  
7.30 p.m at the Town Council Offices