

BIGGLESWADE TOWN PLAN STEERING GROUP MEETING

Tuesday 15 June 2010

Biggleswade Town Council Chamber 7.30 p.m.

Present: Gerry Lawrence – Chair, Sheila Grayston, Doreen Evans, Helen Horner, Mike Strange, Andy Buckley, Nicholas Titley, Pamela Bagnall

Apologies: Eric Stuart, Vic Brunt, Alan Dansey, Mark Ty-Wharton, Ian Bond and Jemma McClean

Minutes: Minutes for meetings held on 12 April & 10 May 2010.

Matters arising: There were no matters arising

Agenda 5: No volunteers

Agenda 6: Gerry Lawrence advised that Central Bedfordshire & Savills were holding a public consultation at Bookworms on Saturday 3 July – 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. On view would be 3 suggested scenarios, high, med and low impact, on town centre. Public would be able to have a hard copy questionnaire or use the on-line version – this has a special section for young people i.e. under 18 yrs.

Agenda 7: A separate meeting had been held on Thursday 10 June attended by Jemma McClean, Gerry Lawrence, Sheila Grayston, Vic Brunt, Mike Strange, Helen Horner & Mark Ty-Wharton and they had discussed and proposed alternative wording for the 3 parts of the Action Plan Tables not agreed by Biggleswade Town Council Meeting held on 1 June 2010. These areas were T9, T17 & C1. Following discussion it was agreed that the alternative wording suggested by Jemma McClean and Sam Cauldbeck be adopted. These 3 areas were discussed again and it was unanimously agreed that the new wording be adopted and that the Action Plan Tables be re-submitted to the Town Council for final approval. Members of the group noted the changes agreed at the Town Council Meeting held on 1 June 2010.

Agenda 8: It was agreed that the sample style of report as used at Stotfold be the style for Biggleswade Report. Andy and Mike to do the actual layout and photographs and Gerry and Pam write the actual text. Andy agreed to get comparison costs/sizes of summary reports that would be delivered to every household in Biggleswade. It was also agreed not to print full details of the conclusions from the questionnaires survey as this info is available on-line via Town Plan Steering Group web-site.

Agenda 9: It was agreed not to renew this contract as Mike had downloaded sufficient info should anyone want to raise any queries in the future and this data would be on the web-site. It was also noted that it was possible to renew the contract with Survey Monkey and that they retained all original info.

Agenda 10: Budget had been updated and a copy was circulated.

Biggleswade Xmas Lights now being arranged via a new committee and this year would be “turned-on” on Friday 1 December 2010.

Date of next meeting: Monday 5 July 2010