

Thorpebury Liaison Group

26th June 2023

45th meeting

Elizabeth Park Centre, Thurmaston

Attendees

- Councillor Brenda Seaton (BS) – Charnwood Borough Council, Leicestershire County Council and Thurmaston Parish Council
- Councillor Owen Bentley (OB) – Barkby & Barkby Thorpe Parish Council and BABTAG
- Mark Pickrell (MP) – Charnwood Borough Council
- Geoff Mee (GM) – Leicester City Council
- Joshua Dollin (JD) – DWH
- Richard Wain (RW) - Hawksmoor
- Will Martin (WM) – CEG
- Victoria Walker (VW) - CEG

Apologies

- Councillor Lynn Westwood (LW) - Thurmaston Parish Council
- Margaret Shutt (MS) – Duck Pond residents' representative
- Helen Bareford (HB) – DWH

Introductions and welcome

Action points arising from last meeting

- VW has updated the website and has included the additional information as requested. OB said he can access from phone but not PC. VW suggested clearing history so it doesn't reload an historical page and she would also liaise again with web design company.
- The Davidsons sign at the Duck Pond has been removed
- Poster regarding the development has been produced. Printed copies were supplied to OB and BS and VW will append a pdf copy to the next meeting minutes

First Phase Project Update

JD explained that David Wilson occupations are at 45 homes, William Davies has three occupied and will near 14 homes by end of month, Davidsons show home is now open, and some homes are reserved.

The landscaping at the front of the site is being regularly inspected by the CEG consultant team and any defects are noted and fed back to housebuilders to remedy where required.

Road Safety Audit has been completed. There are some minor requests, mainly to signage and road marking but there are no significant changes to be made.

The RSA did not recommend bollards on the width restrictor, However, this is something that was provided for on the previous restrictor. DWH believe this is a fair request to prevent larger vehicles

navigating around the restrictor and have therefore asked the County to consider their inclusion as part of the follow up works.

OB queried the brow of the hill, and it was confirmed there would be more effective signage provided in this location.

There are no other planned roadworks at the moment. In terms of the S278 works to Hamilton Lane, comments are back from the County and the housebuilders are working through these. Subject to County approvals, hoping to start these works in Autumn 2023. This will result in a change in priority on this section of road. The priority will be given to vehicles coming out of the development onto Hamilton Lane.

A temporary community building will be constructed on the car park next to the cricket pitch. This can be used for future liaison group meetings all being well. There will be potential for a pop-up shop there in advance of the local centre being provided, if the demand is there. The community building will be managed by CEG until such time it is handed over to the Land Trust as part of the future maintenance provisions for the site. The cricket pitch is seeded and accessible and the landscape consultant visits monthly to inspect.

WM explained that there have already been two enquiries from cricket clubs.

WM said that the primary school is with County, they will design, get planning and build. The S278 works will open up the land for the small village centre facilities such as nursery and retail space. The Primary School is to be delivered prior to the 500th occupation.

Southern Link Road update

WM said that the CEG team had met with Savills last week and had submitted final information to inform their process. GM said that the City was due to meet Savills on the 10th July to progress discussions on the recommendations of the Savills report and would then finalise the process moving forward.

Barkby & Barkby Thorpe Mitigation

WM said that we are still waiting to hear from County regarding the lighting. OB highlighted the delay was disappointing and BS asked WM to let her know if he hadn't heard back next week and she would chase. ACTION POINT

Any other business

BS highlighted that Silverdale doctors is interested in space on site. BS will share VW's contact details so discussions can be opened.

Cllr Brookes is the new ward Councillor in the area. As he works full time, he is happy for Cllr Seaton to keep him briefed. VW agreed to drop him a line to introduce the team and provide any information he needs. ACTION POINT.

Date of next meeting

Wednesday 6th September 11am. A Teams dial in link will be circulated.