

Thorpebury Liaison Group

27 April 2022

Virtual – 39th meeting

Attendees

- Councillor Brenda Seaton – Charnwood Borough Council, Leicestershire County Council and Thurmaston Parish Council
- Councillor Hugh Asher (HA) – Barkby & Barkby Thorpe Parish Council
- Councillor Owen Bentley (OB) – Barkby & Barkby Thorpe Parish Council and BABTAG
- Councillor Lynn Westwood (LW) - Thurmaston Parish Council
- Mark Picknell (MP) – Charnwood Borough Council
- Jim Worley (JM) - Charnwood Borough Council
- Greg Pollard (GP) – Leicester City Council
- Helen Bareford (HB) – DWH
- Richard Wain (RW) – Hawksmoor
- Will Martin (WM) – CEG
- Victoria Walker (VW) - CEG

Introductions

Attendees were introduced and VW thanked everyone for attending.

Action Points from Previous Meetings

- Housebuilder letter drop was appended to the previous minutes
- Website – the existing website is being replaced by a new website www.thorpebury.co.uk. This has now been approved by landowners and is going live today. VW will email liaison group members when it is available to view.
- Councillor Westwood and Clerks from B&BT PC and TPC have been included within the housebuilder mailing list as requested. A copy of the last letter was appended to the minutes from meeting 38.
- Transport update covered below regarding County's consultation activities

Project & Transport Update – Will Martin (WM) & Helen Bareford (HB)

- WM explained that liaison still ongoing with the City Council and progress was being made towards the agreed deadline of October 2022
- Traffic intervention measures have been submitted to the County and we are keen to get those agreed, as soon as this is agreed the County Council will go out to consultation
- WM will liaise with OB/WM once have more information so that the County Council (or CEG/landowner) can organise a consultation event with B&BT PC – ideally for an evening meeting
- B&BT PC has written to the County regarding this. WM clarified the statutory consultation needs to be run by County Council. We will liaise with the County regarding this as well.
- This is regarding intervention measures specific to B&BT villages, designed to enhance safety.
- HB explained that the showhomes open in Sept for both David Wilson Homes and Davidsons with occupations expected in October

- Roadworks timeline – phase one is complete, phase two runs from 4 April – 4 May and phase three 4 May to 11 August. This includes S278 works and pinch removal/replacement.
- DWH compound on site in June so hopefully in person meeting can be arranged once that is in place.
- OB queried trigger for spine road opening to Barkby Thorpe Lane. WM explained there isn't a specific trigger for this, but there are triggers for 1,265 homes for improvements to Asda roundabout and 2,355 for spine road opening through the to A46, including the railway bridge crossing.

Any other business

- OB queried solar panels, electric vehicle charging and other initiatives and what would be included within this and future phases. WM explained that new Part L building regulations which come into place will reduce carbon and include other initiatives and housebuilders will need to conform with these. There will also be technological advances which housebuilders will take advantage of which will make for more sustainable buildings. HB explained that while EV charging isn't included in the first phase there is the opportunity for residents to fit these. MP added that the new Local Plan (LP) Examination in Public starts in June with the aim of adoption of the LP towards the end of this year, early next. This includes a strategy for low carbon, sustainable construction and transport. Building regulations will be more specific.
- Cllr Seaton wrote to Peter Soulsby and the reply explains that City Council will be appointing consultants to prepare a report then there will be negotiation with CEG before the value and land transfer can be agreed. It was queried if this was to a timeline to prevent any delay to housing delivery numbers
- GP explained that a business case has been prepared regarding the consultants appointment to prepare this report and once signed off will seek quotes to get the work done.
- WM added that the trigger point is 575 homes and the agreed timeline for completion of the City Council negotiations is September/October and the two parties are moving towards meeting this deadline so there shouldn't be a delay.

Date of Next Meeting

- The next meeting will be on site on Monday 27th June 2022 at 11am. We will meet at the David Wilson Homes site compound. Please wear suitable boots.