



Newmarket Vision Steering Group Meeting - Notes

1pm, Monday 21st January, 2019

Rutland Arms Hotel, Newmarket

Notes

<u>Attendees</u>	
Roberta Bennett William Gittus Cllr Robin Millar (Chair, on behalf of Cllr Paul West) Cllr Andy Drummond (On behalf of Cllr Rachel Hood) Jill Korwin Nick Froy (Joined at 1.20pm) Michael Attwood Sally Easton Noel Byrne (For item 2) Laura Cockell (Minutes)	
<u>Minutes</u>	
1. Welcome and apologies	
Cllr Paul West Cllr Mary Evans Cllr Rachel Hood Richard Goss	
2. Minutes of the last meeting (Monday 17th September 2018)	
RH (Via email) queried section 2 of the previous minutes, the group AGREED they were correct and could it be clarified if anything was omitted. AD stated if there are any further concerns regarding this to do so via email. Section 4 to be made clearer – this to be dealt with under item 4 of the agenda today. AGREED the comment re. Matthew Hancock under item 5 to be amended to note 'The Town Council had arranged' this event so it is clear it is not related to the Vision work. The group AGREED they were happy with the minutes.	
3. Noel Byrne – Rutland Arms	
Noel Byrne attended and updated the group on the development of the Rutland Arms Hotel. Formally put planning application in for development, project cost will be approx. £8.5mil.	

<p>Thanked Forest Heath District Council and Newmarket Town Council for their support.</p> <p>Refurbish and repair will include – new roof, removal of fire escape under license, redevelopment of the courtyard (will be a dining area in the warmer months), updating the exterior of the building and more. NB stated they wanted to 'Return it back to its original glory'.</p> <p>Looked at Ivy Garden and Goring Hotel as inspiration for design.</p> <p>Will be more CCTV coverage to discourage anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>RM thanked NB for hosting the vision group meeting.</p>	
<p>4. Refreshed Newmarket Vision</p>	
<p>JK updated the group on suggested changes (Sent via email) to the refresh document on behalf of Cllr Paul West, Cllr Hood and Cllr Millar.</p> <p>Introductory Statement should include: <i>The principles shall be "to coordinate and collaborate for the benefit of the town on delivering and developing the objectives of the Princes' Foundation report"</i>.</p> <p>NF stated the Princes Foundation report only included limited information regarding Education. The group AGREED that an overarching education aspect/principle should be further developed.</p> <p>Cllr West to have further conversations with regard to whether a 'Place' group should exist or if so what it should be named. The group AGREED that the group should still exist, but the title should be further discussed and the purpose of the group clarified.</p> <p>It was AGREED to Rename the '<i>Families, Communities and Wellbeing</i>' delivery group as '<i>Education, Skills and Wellbeing Group</i>'.</p> <p>It was AGREED the refresh document should be called 'Newmarket Vision 2019'</p> <p>It was AGREED that a later date for the Newmarket Vision Conference to take place was more feasible, post Elections either late May or June.</p> <p>JK asked the group if there were any other comments.</p> <p>MA asked if Delivery Group 2 solely focused on Transport and whether Digital Infrastructure should be considered. All AGREED this was an important aspect of the town and it would be good to link in with the 'better broadband' project. SE – added that a</p>	

<p>statement re. where we are now, how connected are we etc., should be added to the Vision Conference. ACTION: JK to speak to FHDC ICT Service Manager to provide further information.</p> <p>ACTION: NF asked JK to update the document re. Point no. 2 under infrastructure – bike shelters have been built and funded by Tesco’s.</p> <p>ACTION: Add page numbers.</p>	<p>JK</p> <p>JK</p> <p>JK</p>
<p>5. Terms of Reference</p>	
<p>JK updated the group on suggested changes made to the document following the last meeting.</p> <p>Update this in regard to the new introductory ‘Statement’ as per refreshed vision document, this will help bring both together. ACTION: JK to amend this.</p> <p>All AGREED approach to membership of the groups.</p>	<p>JK</p>
<p>6. Forward Meeting Plan</p>	
<p>JK stated having a few key items for discussion at each meeting will help determine venues and asked the group if having themed meetings would be useful? The group AGREED this was a good idea.</p> <p>NF offered the Academy as the next meeting venue and a tour will be included. ACTION: LC to arrange and confirm timings. Meeting will focus on Education, Health and Skills.</p> <p>ACTION: LC to Add to agenda Skate Park – NF possible presentation from young people.</p> <p>ACTION: Group to suggest further venues and themes to LC to plan ahead.</p>	<p>LC</p> <p>LC</p> <p>ALL</p>
<p>7. Key Issues/Concerns from Delivery Groups</p>	
<p>TRET:</p> <p>High St Design Consultation – closing this Friday 25th January, 2019. Raw feedback circulated to group.</p> <p>There are challenges re. SCC and Highways view of what is feasible and what is considered ‘good practice’.</p> <p>Over 100 responses: 95 residents 5 businesses/organisations.</p> <p>Work being led by High St Project Group. Likely this will be finished after May 2019.</p>	

<p>Sustrans – no reference to bicycles in the consultation.</p> <p>WAG queried if anyone had costed the draft proposals – JK noted no total cost has been found – only specific parts have been calculated.</p> <p>RB noted her nervousness re. Island at bottom of avenue – narrows the route.</p> <p>Transport:</p> <p>RB having issues reporting problems in the town to the delivery group, no actions being taken. Also having problems reporting them on the SCC system/website - keep disappearing. ACTION: RB to send photos to MA and he will feedback.</p> <p>Civil parking Enforcement (CPE) few things bubbling in the media re – confirmed that a study was being undertaken on road markings and traffic orders to prepare for CPE, but that there was still no confirmed implementation date.</p> <p>WAG met with Luke Barber (SCC) – Horseman’s group commissioned some work/modelling – looking at roads AM peak and PM peak. Very rapidly traffic stops at peak hrs, approx. 400 cars. WAG shared concerns re. Equine Impact Assessments not being considered.</p> <p>RB is there a role for the group to create cross-boundary relationships? Need more discussions with East Cambridge and joined up thinking.</p> <p>Equine:</p> <p>No updates.</p> <p>Education:</p> <p>No updates.</p>	<p>RB</p>
<p>8. Newmarket Vision Conference</p>	
<p>Change this to take place after Election Period, May or June.</p> <p>ACTION: SE to check with NF on getting video content from the Academy at our next meeting.</p> <p>Ideal venue for the conference – Memorial Hall. ACTION: RB to confirm this ok.</p>	<p>SE</p> <p>RB</p>

<p>RM suggested a timeline/storyline of events/achievements could be printed and displayed.</p> <p>JK asked that the subgroups inform us of any challenges they would like the conference to look at/include.</p> <p>SE would it be worth having an overarching theme to run with at the conference?</p> <p>RM could the results/videos of the work the Horseman's group commissioned be put out in to the public domain. SE – could any of this be used at the conference?</p>	
<p>9. AOB</p>	
<p>Next meeting date – Monday 18th March, change of timings to suit the Academy, now 10-12noon. ACTION: LC to re-confirm with the group.</p> <p>RM noted Mr John Durrant had sadly passed away. The group noted their appreciation and recognition for him and his work in Newmarket.</p> <p>WAG asked for an update on Queensbury Lodge, JK noted tied up with local plan, continuing discussion with landowner.</p> <p>RB - Icewell Hill flats – police no longer investigating cause of fire, night before flagship present at committee meeting who raised concerns about lifts, emergency phones and fire alarms not working. Queries as to whether this is now a fire investigation? Is there anything we can learn from this going forward? ACTION: MA to investigate this.</p> <p>ACTION: LC to update support officers and delivery groups re. Vision refresh and Conference.</p>	<p>LC</p> <p>MA</p> <p>LC</p>
<p>10. Close</p>	