

Notes and Actions of the Newmarket Vision Meeting

Wednesday, 12 March, 2014 9.30 am
held at Newmarket Town Council

Attendees:

Cllr Lisa Chambers, Chairman (SCC)
Cllr Warwick Hirst (FHDC)
Cllr Rachel Hood (NTC)
Liz Watts (FHDC)

Robert Feakes (SCC)
Christine Rush (FHDC) Minutes
Richard Baldwin (FHDC)

1. Apologies

Apologies received from Isabelle Barrett, Newmarket Town Council and Bryn Griffiths, Suffolk County Council.

2. Notes and actions from last meeting dated 10 February, 2014

Notes of the last meeting were agreed as correct with one amendment at item 4. Equine Hub Proposal

'The meeting thought that a Focus Group should be held before the end of March, to discuss possible ways forward for a Newmarket Equine Hub, and that each Delivery group should be involved as necessary.'

3. Equine Hub Proposal Update

RF circulated a proposed format for an Equine Hub focus group which the meeting discussed.

Action: Delivery Groups to be involved in this project in accordance with their interests, once clearer objectives are identified. LW confirmed that Graeme Lockey, Principal Growth Officer, Economic Develop Team will support this Focus Group. Aim for mid April with the venue to be either Newmarket Town Council Offices or the Jockey Club.

4. Updates from Delivery Groups

Town Centre/Retail, Local Economy and Tourism Delivery Group:

WH explained the Delivery Group had split into four sub groups who have met separately and will regroup on 28 March. All subgroups have produced ideas which will be discussed and a way forward decided. WH stated that it was pleasing to note that each sub group had grown since the initial Delivery Group meeting.

Community Planning Delivery Group: RH stated that the group had listened to an 'affordable housing' presentation. Neil Anthony had given a verbal update on 'open space'. Steven Wood, the new Head of Planning and Regulatory Service attended the meeting who was very helpful and encouraging. The Delivery Group are still considering the possibility of a Neighbourhood Plan. RH requested some support for the group. The Group meet next on 20 March, 2014.

Action: LW to ask Graeme Lockey if he can take the minutes for the group.

Education Delivery Group: LC brought to the attention of the meeting that the Education Group had increased in membership also. The Group had agreed that everything the group does 'must contribute to building an

environment where young people can meet their full potential..'. LC reviewed the group's action plan. The Group have agreed to meet every two months. The next meeting is 19 May, 2014.

Action: The Action Plan can be put onto the Newmarket Vision web page.

Traffic/Highways Delivery Group: The Traffic/Highways Group are to meet today, 12 March 2014 at 1pm and will be chaired by WH on this occasion.

5. Publication of Minutes / Action Notes

CR confirmed all minutes of the Delivery Groups circulated with the agenda at the last meeting had been loaded on to the FHDC website.

Action: CR to update structure chart and add to the website.

6. Proposed DPPO (Designated Public Place Order) for Newmarket High Street – eight week consultation - Update

RB advised the meeting that he had received 30 responses on the consultation, 28 in support. This will now go to FHDC Full Council for approval. RB stated that if all agreed, potentially all signage in place early June and powers for Police to confiscate alcohol, arrest or fine if antisocial behaviour is experienced within the defined boundary of the DPPO. By law signage has to be in place – RB to liaise with Newmarket Town Council, Police and all relevant bodies.

Action: RB to provide WH with a briefing note for Newmarket Town Council.

7. Any Other Business

No further business raised.

8. Agreed communications

Action:

- It was agreed that CR would circulate the notes of this meeting to the Steering Group for agreement to enable posting on the FHDC website before the next meeting of the Steering Group.
- CR to liaise with Kylie, NTC re Newmarket Vision link to FHDC website on the Town Council's new website.
- LW to draft a general update on Steering Group and Delivery Groups for all councillors to use in the meetings.

9. Future Dates:

Time: 9.30 to 11.30 am unless otherwise stated*

Venue: Newmarket Town Council Offices

2 April	1 October
12 May <i>now back to 9.30 am at Town Council Offices</i>	6 November
13 June, <i>Friday</i>	3 December, 2.30 pm*
2 July	
13 August	
8 September, 2.00 pm*	