## Chetwynd: The Toton & Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum Forum: Barracks Sub-Group

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 14th September 2017

**Present:** David Lovett (Sub-group Lead), Stephen Brown, Jim Jeffery, Karren Denham, Nick

Allcoat, Ben Standing.

Apologies: Nicola Lamplough (Steering Group Vice Chair), Graham Heal (Steering Group Treasurer),

Richard Hutchinson (Steering Group Chair), Teresa Dunsdon. Devonne John, Jon Gallego.

	Action by: -
1. Introductions	
David provided a brief introduction and background to the meeting for the benefit of the group. Agenda previously sent. Meeting was attended by Ben Standing from the Steering Group.	
2. Apologies	
Apologies taken and noted. See also group membership below.	
3. Minutes of the last meeting & matters arising not on the main agenda	
Matters arising from the previous meetings minutes were discussed and approved by all present.	
<ul> <li>a) Who owns the footpath from Stapleford Lane to the Barracks gate (question raised by Norman Lewis at the Steering Group meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> May). Clarification sought.</li> </ul>	
Note: Although there seemed to be a confusion over the actual gate in question both Jim and David could confirm that this was in fact owned by the MOD. As such the group agreed that this had been covered as part of the group actions previously during Jim's presentation on the DIO visit on 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2017 where it was confirmed the MOD owns said path.	
b) Public rights of way- Jim had made enquiries and got in touch with Nottinghamshire County Council Area Rights of Way Officer Jenny Romero (Via East Midlands Ltd.), who confirmed there was no public right of way across Chilwell Station.	Jim/David
Note: However, she was very keen to see if a right of way could be pursued and was keen to work with the group on this matter. Jim to send details to David for the group to pursue.	
Also, Karren was sure that the Station Officer could confirm this from an MOD point of view and was to supply David with the appropriate details and send to David as well.	Karren/David
c) Heritage Day tour of Barracks - Both Karren and Stephen attended and gave their overview of the event. The presentation & tour were OK but not as good or as informative as they might have been, or hoped for.	
Note: Pleasing to note that the "Community building" which is of historic value is identified as one of the buildings to be saved in the development.	
Stephen showed the group a photo of the Emergency underground exit taken from the Sergeants mess that we were advised was not part of the tunnels. The group still want to pursue more information about the tunnels for the potential they could bring to the site.	All

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Karren also said that there was an "archive" kept on the Station despite DIO informing the Steering Group representatives otherwise, and offered to find out more on behalf of the group about what information was held. Karren has some information that would be useful.		Karren	
Stephen also showed the group photos of a 1927 map held in the council house (open during the Heritage week for viewing) of the Chilwell barracks site as it was in what was its "dormant" period, which was quite interesting.			
See als	See also points below (5a).		
4.	Group Membership		
Da joi	vid informed the group that Owen and Glynis O'Connor had been invited to n the group but that he had received no response yet, the group were happy David to try again.	David	
5.	Road Ahead & Immediate Priorities		
a)	Civic & Historical Societies - Speaker to be invited. Jim informed the group he had been in contact with both the Beeston Civic and History Societies, but had not been impressed with their response in supporting the group. Jim advised the societies were not the source for speakers we should be using.		
inform well kr	lvised that Paula Hammond used to do this and had an extensive library of ation regarding the Depot and surrounding area. She and her husband Matt were own and "friends" of Attenborough Cricket Club. Nick offered to provide Jim with phone number, and Jim kindly volunteered to call and explain our situation.	Jim	
	oup agreed all historic information should be preserved by the group for posterity, future reference.		
	ought getting the university students to consider "how things were" models could god exercise.		
	nclusion at this point was to keep looking for a speaker who was both interesting namic in approach and would enthuse others to take an interest in their area.	All	
b)	i) Other land sales by MOD - Having followed Richard's advice to look at MOD land sales involving Annington Homes, Steve has now completely gone through the MOD advised site sales and concluded there is only one other site, apart from RAF Brampton, where Annington is mentioned and this is Bordon, Hampshire. Whilst this has been a time-consuming exercise there has been some very good plans and ideas that to date have been passed to David to discuss with main Steering Group. The following is the remainder of the site sales with comments:		
1.	Aldershot - Grainger developer; 35% affordable housing; good plans available (have PDF).		
2.	Warminster Barracks - Hard Rock development; 204 homes, 81 affordable.		
3.	Ensleigh (Bath) - Bloor homes developer; new contemporary quarter.		
4.	Erskine Barracks - Has written scheme of Archaeological Mitigation (PDF). Due to sites history, a "watching brief" is happening whilst the site is being developed. Redrow, Our Enterprise, Wilton Land Trust developers; 330 homes, including		

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veterans care home and community creche. For consideration within Chetwynd?

- 5. Kitchener Barracks Chatham Criticised for lack of affordable housing. Historic England involved. Seems to be approved. Latis homes, Medway council and English heritage.
- 6. Lodge Hill 25% affordable housing. Land Securities developer; 700 acres; 15-20 years. Parkland, allotments, community parkland, woodland. To include offices, small businesses, community facilities, schools, shops, hotels.
- 7. Amerst Hill English Heritage objection, very historic site. Chatham design brief available.
- 8. HMS Daedulus Enterprise zone, not much information.
- 9. Hazebrook Barracks Crest Nicholson developer; council have approved plans; 35% affordable.
- 10. Bordon Barracks CSA/Taylor Wimpey/Dorchester group developers creating new eco town with Whitehill. 15% affordable, 40 dwellings per hectare to be done in three phases up to 2033. ANNINGTON MENTIONED There are 3 main areas of families' quarters (FQ) with a 999-year lease to Annington homes along A325 camp Road, comprising of 400 dwellings. These will remain in use. Annington have indicated to DIO that if any FQs are no longer required by the MOD and are "handed back", then it is likely to dispose of the properties on the open market, in preference to pursuing a redevelopment strategy. Would this be the same stance on Chetwynd barracks site??
- 11. Deepcut Barracks Planning application biggest in Surrey heath. Was approved at special meeting **despite going against the wishes of the residents.** Plans there but not brilliant.
- 12. RAF Dawshill Dawshill residents' association established; 500 homes, have PDF as the plans are quite nice.
- 13. Craven Hill 1900 homes, Council 100% shareholder. Plans for the UK's largest self-build community. Planning consent granted, 30% affordable, first homes summer 2017. Goes onto say how they funded project. Public Works loan, HCA, DCLG grant. Website: Craven Hill, Bicester-Right to build toolkit. Website Create your own home at Craven Hill, Bicester.
- 14. Shorncliffe Taylor Wimpey developer; land released in 4 phases; part of garrison to remain open but reduced in size. Plans still seem to be ongoing.
- 15. Waterbeach Barracks WOW! Home-Waterbeach Barracks. Best brownfield site in the country, plans submitted 20/3/17, 6500 homes + community services.

  Cambridge based studio "The District" have been named as the winners of the Roses Creative Awards Gold for exhibition design. The panel recognises The District for their work with Waterbeach Barracks Public consultation.
- 16. RAF Stanbridge Crichel Down considerations ruled against original owners. Catalyst and Stack London working on the site.
- 17. Catterick SLAM accommodation plans in place & can't see any plans for civilian use.
- 18. Machinharish Argyll and Bute Industrial mainly.
- 19. Craigie Hall, Redford Barracks, Dreghorn Barracks (all Edinburgh) not sold yet.
- 20. Massereene and Drumadd Barracks NI currently up for tender.

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ii) Site sale prices charged by Annington Homes - Both Jim and Steve have been considering this and have been struggling to find any figures to date.

Note: Steve's suggestion to consider the Howe barracks sale, as Redbridge won the bid for the homes over the local council. Logically we could look at the Councils' accounts to see the figure.

Ben advised this should be fairly easy by submitting a Freedom of Information Act (FOI) request.

Comment: Although a lot of good research has been done for this project, a conversation between Ben and Richard in the first place may have achieved the answer Richard was seeking.

David & Ben to discuss with the Steering group the direction to go with this.

- c) School Engagement Item deferred to next meeting as Teresa unavailable.
- d) Tree Preservation Orders Ben looking into this currently.
- e) Contamination Report Richard looking into this.
- f) Community right to bid Nicola has had no further communication from Toton Tigers football club.

Note: Linked to Toton Tigers and Attenborough CC. Nick has raised with Richard, and the group, that Attenborough CC would like to have one of their teams playing on the barracks sports field by 2019, and is concerned this may not happen in the appropriate timescales. Grounds maintenance was also discussed as Broxtowe BC have indicated that they are unable to take this on. Nick indicated that Attenborough CC have experience in maintaining cricket fields, and that this may be an option for the barracks sports field.

Richard was also going to talk to the Commanding officer on the matter. Karren advised CO was CO of 170 Engineers and would forward the details to David so he could pass on.

#### 6. New Agenda Items

a) Hill Farm Raised by Norman Lewis via email.

Note: Karren to check location archive for appropriate information.

b) Notts County Council Councilor Quote.

Note: County Councillor comment saying he was to get involved. The group was concerned there were 'too many cooks' becoming involved, and we need to be very wary of this. Jim asked Ben about the Forum's authority. Ben advised council planning supersedes neighbourhood wishes, something we need to be mindful of.

- c) Jim advised a new care home care home was being named after Chetwynd barracks and was located on Pearson Avenue, Chilwell opposite the Inham Nook pub.
- d) "Highfields Experience" for Barracks site (raised by a Forum member via email).

Note: The group acknowledged the request and will keep it logged for future reference when formal planning of the site begins.

Ben/David/Richard

Teresa Ben Richard

Nick/Nicola/Richard

Karren

Karren

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<u>7. AOB</u>		
Points		
•	It's good we are getting more people involved, but in doing so we need to ensure all the inputs must be done in a controlled and project managed manner or we will lose control if we are not careful.	All
•	Agreed to review the terms of reference at the next meeting. The group has made much progress, and it will be useful to formally recognise what has been achieved and update the timescales accordingly, as well as reviewing outstanding tasks before setting new objectives.	All
•	Ben suggested people get involved with the university students working on the project to give them a "feel" for how we are approaching it, and what local requirements are.	All
•	With the emphasis on preserving the history of the barracks, the Nottingham Evening Post was mentioned as well as the Nottingham University Archive, group to follow up.	All
•	Group did discuss Historic England & English Heritage for potential future support.	All
The Group thanked Nick for his hospitality in holding the meeting at Attenborough Cricket Club. It was much appreciated.		
8. Date & Venue of Next Meeting Date to be confirmed.		David