

Lawrence Weston Neighbourhood Planning Group

Thursday 27th October, 2022, 7pm.

Face-to-Face @ Lawrence Weston Youth Centre, BS110RX

AGENDA

- **Welcome, Apologies and Introductions- Chair-MP**

Attending --- Mark Pepper (MP) Amy Smith (AS) Ian Stevens (IS) Roger Sabido (RS) Oliver Wheeler (OW) Annette Knight (AK) Jacki Crouch (JC) Ann Hawker (AH) Jayne Mein (JM) Norman Laity (NL)

Apologies – Sue Stevens, Cllr alexander, Cllr Scott, Daphne Chickwere and Kathryn Monks

Minutes and matters arising of the last meeting- All

- R.S provided information on the auction of The Woodlands, Station Road, Henbury, BS10 7TA for the group - Discussed more in AOB
 - Action - Amy to send Ian link to housing portal
- minutes agreed AH and NL

- **Active Travel Tool Kit presentation- Sustrans- OW**

Oliver Wheeler is a Liveable neighbourhood officer with Sus Trans focusing on LW and Easton Mainly. He Explained that The Active travel community toolkit will allow for changes to your street to make it better for active travel, this can be applied for through the council. There is not a universal process currently in Bristol. OW and Sus trans will be running a trial in Lawrence Weston over next 3 years. He explained that it is possible to apply for a permanent change to area/street/road, and that you can apply to make streets nicer for walking or cycling, or perhaps more seating for resting along the way or more secure bike parking. OW hopes to be able to help with processes around this, and with BCC.

He will be doing workshops with residents, and is keen to do a street party with road closure to engage residents on Feb 16th. O.W aims to create a portal to help navigate these process.

MP highlighted parking problems in Lawrence Weston, and mentioned problems residents have with this, and suggested that residents could use support with this in particular.

OW mentioned he would need to look into this because he wasn't sure Sustrans aim to support parking.

Verges and parking are a big issue – planters mentioned as a solution.
Ollie handed around a questionnaire for suggestions re Lawrence Weston.
Contact email Oliver.wheeler@sustrans.org.uk



- **Wessex Water Liaison Group-MP**

We suspect Wessex water of polluting our air, with sewage smells. Wessex are planning an extension to remove waste from the new Cribbs Causeway development. WW set up a liaison group with 2 members from each of the four villages. We originally approached Darren Jones to chair meeting, and the meeting will be 3rd Nov 3pm with a tour of plant. MP asked for a volunteer as a representative for Lawrence Weston, along with himself. IS volunteered and was agreed by the group. Issues have been around monitoring the smells. Stuart from Bristol energy network was asking for the ability to monitor, so M.P will contact him to see if its possible to tap into that to get our own monitoring set up.

- **Proposal to include Other Community issues on agenda-MP**

The Big local steering group is coming to an end, so we will be missing or in need of a community group to discuss further community issues, beyond planning.

MP asked group if they are happy to accept other community issues. Group agreed that they are happy to proceed this way.

RS mentioned the need for perhaps an additional meeting for those in big local group who cant make evenings, and perhaps eventually develop an additional group with a slightly different format.

R.S suggested that both meetings should be aware of issues raised at the other, and of the view of the other meeting. Formal decisions on Planning issues are still to be made and agreed by the monthly evening Planning group. The membership of the Lawrence Weston Neighbourhood Planning Forum should include residents attending either meeting, as all views are taken into consideration.

The group agreed that a community action forum should commence at the end of big local steering group.

- **AOB / All**

MP -to chase up UWE Planning students around regen of rear of Ridingleaze

RS – Re BCC planned development of Oakhanger, Capel road, Commonfield and Little mead, would like to suggest that we could mention energy efficiencies, and sustained liveability, solar panels, porches gardens, ground source heat pumps, air tightness objectives. Bcc have planned a consultation around these developments at youth centre, R.S suggested to write to BCC Housing Delivery to request that the Capel Road, Commonfield, etc., housing developments incorporate an improved specification and incorporate a



number of sustainability improvements. R.S has supplied a letter which can be sent to BCC, local councillors and other relevant parties.

Action A.S will send date of consultation at the LW community centre to the group.

R.S - still need to follow up with Kensa

R.S mentioned a Transport announcement from WECCA, they have had an investment to subsidise community transport services. Details are as follows;

"Bristol Community Transport ended its Dial-a-Ride and community group transport services last month." ... WECA "£435,000 cash injection from the West of England Combined Authority ... to save "lifeline" community bus services ... Metro Mayor Dan Norris announced that four companies – The Big Lemon group, Lawrence Weston Community Transport, CATT Community Bus and The Sprint – will together take over the running of these services starting this week." See <https://tinyurl.com/4xk7ta7y>

Core plan - BCC are reviewing local plan that controls development on our estate.

Open for comments from middle of next month – we need to review/discuss our policies around this to submit. Action – MP to arrange to get our priorities set down on our next meeting in November.

OW noted that the most relevant plan takes precedence, perhaps a revision is needed to our 2017 plan.

IS - noted that zebra crossing needs re doing

JM – railings in mere bank need to be repaired still, after reporting MP will chase up this Cllr Scott and also bins.

Hub house (JC & MP) – it had been noted previously that Persimmon were storing their materials on our hub site, it has been confirmed that they have permission to store on site from the council. Our lease and lease agreement are currently with the solicitors, and we are waiting for a non material planning amendment, which should be back in the next few weeks. Once we have this all documents can go to funder to release money. We need access to the site so Persimmon will be moving materials to the bottom of the site and have agreed for our access we can use their road.

BMX – ground works down but we are coming close to planning permission running out. – the will be a meeting on 7th November with Willmott Dixon to discuss bmx track as legacy project.

Wind turbine – no updates, new accountants selected and appointed for ACE and ALW these are Burton Sweet.

Astry close -- Steering group will recommence on 10th Nov, and funding received from homes England to the amount of £1,534,000 allowing us to achieve social housing rent on all housing units.

**Next meeting @ LWYC Thursday 24th November 2022
7pm.**