

Bearley Local plan Committee Mtg 10/03/2025

Minutes of Meeting

Attendee's

- Guy Esnouf
- David Richardson
- Jim Maiden
- Pete Delve
- Marion Mitchell
- Jon Bolger
- Helen Kemp
- Karen Barguss
- Ollie Edwards

Apologies

- Silvia Gramma
- Sue Fabio (has withdrawn from committee)
- Fiona Star

Previous Actions:

- **ACTION Pete to send Road usage data to Guy - completed**
- **ACTION Guy to ask Beth to produce an updated leaflet for a final call to action - completed**
- **ACTION ALL to send potential messages for Road signs – outstanding carried forward**

Agenda Items:

1. Minutes of previous meeting were approved
2. Update from chairman;
 - a. 1st submission was submitted electronically via the portal and handed over physically which gathers press coverage
 - b. FOI submitted to obtain the number of Yes/No for each of the proposed 12 new settlements and confirmation on whether the submission will be made public – responses due back 7th April
 - c. The Chairman and committee want to go a record thanking Mark Gleaves for the information on flooding and individual sites information, Beth Evans for production of the Flyers and Facebook / social media messaging and thanks to those delivered leaflets through the local areas
 - d. Submission summary has been sent to 4 councillors
 - i. Penny Anne O'Donnell– County Councillor
 - ii. Ian Shenton – District Councillor
 - iii. George Cowcher – District Councillor and Chair of Stratford planning committee
 - iv. Susan Juned – Stratford Council leader
 - e. A joint council committee setup from both Councils (Warwick and Stratford) who will assess and review response to make the recommendation to a full meeting of both councils.

- i. Decision is currently at section 18 (the quarter final). Between now and December 2025.
 - ii. The output from the 3rd call for sites will also be available, around December 2025.
 - iii. There will then be a further round of consultation on a smaller list of sites December 2025 – February 2026.
 - iv. The next stage is section 22 to secretary of state September 2026, to obtain a final list of sites approved at end of 2027.
 - v. **ACTION Ollie - to determine when the council meetings are taking and send round dates to the group then organise coverage.**
- f. Guy and Richard Le Page (BCP chair) met Manuela Perteghella (SuA MP), a good meeting was had and Manuela requested a copy of our submission.
- 3. The new Government Planning infrastructure Bill is due to be released today which means the local council may be able to approve smaller developments – Proposals have been issued, we expect the this may fall outside of the timeframe. However, it may impact the approval for smaller developments in and around our area **ACTION Guy to send round summary once it has been released.**
- 4. There was a discussion with a member of the public who had put a site forward. He confirmed that this was designed for renewable energy, solar panels, not housing. The Committee asked that it could talk to other site owners. **ACTION: Guy to follow up.**
- 5. Next steps
 - a. Information to councillors?
 - i. Electorate of 8 (Email and Address known) on joint committee
 - b. Comms plan/ideas
 - i. Videos to outline a key points (1 min in length) – **ACTION Pete to determine if we could automate this**
 - ii. Consider drone footage needed.
 - iii. Pull together simple matrix comparison
 - iv. What can we do with Bearley unique elements
 - c. Roadside posters – Committee ran out of time to print in time for response. Potential plan is to utilise road signs **ACTION all to submit ideas for Message on signs.**
- 6. Local County Elections
 - a. Explore inviting candidates to village meeting in Bearley and whether they support BW site or not. **ACTION: Guy to follow up.**
 - b. Review consultants that have been engaged **ACTION Guy to contact consultants.**
 - c. Further Research?
 - i. Agricultural land grade **ACTION Pete to determine if DEFRA holds this information and clarify Grade 3 details (Who makes the decision on grading?) ACTION all ask contacts if we know anyone else who could determine this?**
 - ii. Consider the cost elements unique to Bearley?

1. Roads, Rail – **All to consider**
 2. Utilities networks – **Action Pete to review and feedback**
7. Collaboration with Wilmcote
 - a. It was agreed to meet with Wilmcote contact for their Coordination group
ACTION Pete and Guy to engage with Wilmcote (Guy to share contact details)
8. Biodiversity
 - a. Wildlife Group and cams and link up to local drive setup Local schools,
ACTION Dave & Helen to pull together estimate and plan
 - b. Existing photos used to support our response upload to google drive with accurate name and date **ACTION ALL**
9. Social comms – **ACTION Guy update on the next stage and process when we will be feeding back.**
10. Date of next meeting, agreed frequency is monthly - **7th April 2025 @ Village Hall**
11. Meeting closed at 20:51