

Hanslope Parish Neighbourhood Plan Review

Notes from the Working Group meeting Wednesday 24 August @ 19:30
at the Pavilion, Hanslope Recreation Ground

Members attending:

Eileen Price

Alison Andrew

Jackie Cass

Dorothy Courtman

Andrew Geary

John Watson

Neil Homer (of O'Neil Homer Consulting)

Apologies: Paul Everington

Neil Homer was welcomed to the meeting and he briefly introduced himself and his background and links to the existing made Neighbourhood Plan.

EP updated the progress made by MKC on the review of Plan:MK which is expected to be completed by 2025.

We discussed the following items:

- The existing development boundary and whether it should be extended to include Tathall End. AG has not had an opportunity to discuss this with the residents but was meeting some of them informally at the following weekend and would discuss it and report back at the next meeting.
- The green infrastructure policy and the need to map this for the new plan - to include footpaths, bridleways, ponds, green spaces including public open spaces on the new developments
- How big a review should be undertaken now, AG suggested a minor review now to bring the plan up-to-date and then a full spatial review when the new Plan:MK is published in 2025. This will need the full Parish Council to discuss and agree.
- How the village is used, this has changed significantly with the population increase, development infrastructure or lack of it, the long-term implications of the Covid-19 pandemic, working from home and traffic changes this may bring about.
- Need to consult on the good/bad things that have happened in the village since the existing plan was written e.g. school access, health provision, traffic flow & leisure facilities.
- Check with MKC the housing requirement for the parish. (EP)
- NH had several things he thought were priorities to make the working group more effective:
 1. Schedule monthly meetings at same time & place

2. The Parish Council should set the terms of reference for the Working Party and he would email a template used by other groups to EP
3. Announce the review to the entire village to get the community engaged and use social media but use other communication methods to ensure that no-one is left out. Suggestions were The Clarion, HPC website and Facebook page, the village Facebook page, HPC's notice board, flyers. AA to take this on initially
4. Decide what we want to do and write a proposal to submit to James Williamson and David Blandamer at MKC
5. Adopt a project plan from NH to discuss and implement in October.
6. Ask the Parish Council to formally invite NH and JC to act as consultants and apply for the Locality grant ASAP and, as there has not been a commitment from the Government for grants after April 2023, reserve £10,000 to cover all the costs of the preparation, examination and publication of the review.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 21 September @ 19:30 at The Pavilion

Notes by Jackie Cass, August 2022