



Horwich Neighbourhood

Development Plan

MINUTES

Date:

Time:

Venue:

Tuesday 1st May 2018

19:00 – 20:30

Horwich Community Centre

1. Attendance, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

Attended: Marie Brady, Eileen Jepson, David Barnes, Rod Riesco, Richard Shirres, Stuart Whittle, Steve Chadwick, Barry Jubb, Steven Chadwick, John Rigby, Steven Glover, Scott Turner-Preece, Caroline Turner-Preece **(13)**

Apologies: Jim Bullock, Dorothy Bullock, Susan Baines, Malcolm Harrison, Steven Rock, Colin Sherringham, Emma Gregson, David Griffiths, Jodie Laithewaite **(9)**

Declarations of Interest: Members were asked to make a declaration of interest regarding items to be discussed, none were declared.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

The minutes of the previous meeting held 3rd April 2018 were read and approved by the members who had been present at that meeting. All matters arising have been included in the agenda; the Chairperson signed and dated.

3. Actions Agreed from last meeting/ Actions Outstanding

Outstanding from last meeting: Website: No progress has been made in finding someone to design a website and Marie B has agreed to contact Blackrod N-Plan to ascertain who designed their website and enquire if they would quote for ours. Carol Hutchinson (Town Clerk) passed on the details of the person that designed and maintains the current Horwich Council website. **Action: MB**

Actions Agreed from 3rd April meeting:

- Marie B has had the A5 leaflets printed; everyone agreed how professional they are. The Gazebo and advertising banner and feathers were also in place for the event on 21st April. There were people available to erect and dismantle the gazebo, which was returned to the town clerk at Horwich Community Centre on Monday 23rd April.
- Eileen J and Cllr Jim Bullock had agreed to visit Karen Graham to discuss the education needs for primary school children for the next 15 years. This was done at a meeting on Monday 23rd April. (see feedback below)

4. Issues discussed 1st May 2018 (use topic headings)

Connecting with Community Groups:

Everyone agreed that the first event on Saturday 21st April had exceeded all expectations. The weather had been glorious, which helped in terms of turn-out. Many people stopped to engage in conversations and the stall was large and well positioned to accommodate the passing foot-fall. A small number of the handouts were completed by members of the public and handed back with feedback attached. These will be collated at the Community Centre by the town clerk. Many leaflets were handed out, with one request for multiple copies to take back to his barber's shop as he very regularly gets "Older men that like to have a good whinge about the state of Horwich these days. This will give them something to talk about for a while". This prompted us to take a deliver some to the many cafes, hair salons and barber shops on Lee Lane/Winter Hey Lane for customers' perusal.

A special mention to be passed on to the Co-op Funeral Care shop (next to Sainsbury's) as they generously opened on Saturday especially for us and provided us with refreshments of tea, coffee and biscuits; it was very much appreciated.

Public Meeting at RMI – 23rd May 2018

Planning for the Public Meeting on 23rd May was discussed and it was agreed that Marie B open to give an overview of what the N-P is and then introduce the next speaker to talk about their specialist topic (shared between people as per grid below). The aim of the meeting is not to bore people by talking at them, rather to give an overview of what is possible for Horwich and ask for people to help by getting involved. There are to be stations set out around the periphery to engage with the public after the speakers have presented their pieces and members of the steering group will be on hand to speak with people and hopefully get more volunteers to help with spreading the message about next years' referendum. There is much to do and very little time, we agreed that another interim meeting is needed to plan for the RMI launch event on 23rd May. It was agreed to meet on Tuesday 15th May at the Conservative Club.

Video: John Rigby reminded people of the need to get the texts written to be recorded as 1 minute clips to be uploaded to HNP YouTube site for people to listen to; using the topic headings in the table below. It is very time consuming for Peter Ravald to record all these clips and get them uploaded on to the YouTube site and it will have a greater impact if we can have this ready in time for the Public Meeting (or as near to the date as is possible). Please send the written text by email to John R with an indication of the time-length for recording purposes.

Part	Person	Text	Text Recorded
Main Section			
Definition	John Rigby	Y	Y
Catch	Dorothy Bullock	Y	
Who's involved	Caroline Turner-Preece	Y	
What happens next	Jim Bullock	Y	
What you can do	Eileen Jepson	Y	
Optional Extras			
The Legal Background	Marie Brady		
The Scope of Plans	Barry Jubb		
Other Neighbourhood Plans	Steven Glover		

Other Topic Sections

Introduction	Marie Brady	Y	
Planning + the Environment	Stuart Whittle	Y	
Housing	Steve Glover	Y	
Health, Well-being & Social Care	Sue Baines	Y	
Education	Karen Graham	Y	
Employment and Economy	Jim Bullock / John Rigby	Y	Y
Sport, Recreation & Leisure	Steve Chadwick/Barry Jubb	Y	
Transport	Marie Brady	Y	
Sustainability	Richard Shirres	Y	
Volunteers needed	Eileen Jepson	Y	

Richard Shirres gave an impassioned talk about the need to include environmental sustainability into the neighbourhood plan and that this should be incorporated into all aspects of the plan (as per table above) and that the people of Horwich need to have the opportunity to envisage the type of place Horwich could be in 20 – 30 years time. Members at the meeting were all agreeable to this and Richard was asked to draft a suitably succinct talk to be given at the public meeting. He will be able to present this at the interim meeting on Tuesday 15th (see below). **Action:- Richard S is to prepare an introductory PP on how environmental sustainability can have a positive effect on the future of Horwich**

Education Meeting with K Graham

Cllr Jim Bullen and Eileen J met Karen Graham to discuss the future needs in primary education for the children of Horwich going forward over the next 10-15 years which are all based around the number of dwellings planned for development on the different sites both on the Rivington Chase development on the old Loco Works and others already being built in the area. Mrs Graham asked if we could ascertain the formula that is used by planning departments to calculate the exact number of school places and if the planning department has a figure. She is quite happy to speak for a couple of minutes at the public meeting but would require this information. She also recommended contacting Mr McCabe at St Joseph’s for a view on the future of secondary school places in Horwich or Mr Purcell (former head teacher of Rivington & Blackrod High School) who still has connections with education. **Action: Eileen J has agreed to contact them**

Application for Locality Funding

Marie B and Steve G are still completing Locality Funding application. **Action: MB and SG**

AOB: There is to be another interim meeting on **Tuesday 15th May at 7 pm** in the **Bridge public house** to discuss practical arrangements for the Public Meeting on 23rd May.

Next meeting: Tuesday 5th June 2018 **7.00 pm – 8.30 pm** at Horwich Community Centre

Declaration: These are a true record of the meeting

Signature Date