

Note of Third Meeting of Langstone Community Consultation Working Group

Date: 12th October, 2015

Time: 6.00pm

Present: Cllr K Dew (Chairman)

Cllr Y Edwards

Cllr T Jeffery

Mrs J Litt

Mrs L Littler

M McGow (NCC)

Cllr R Mogford (NCC)

Mr R Wood (NCC)

Apologies for Absence: Mrs L Duthie

Mr E McKeand (LVH)

Cllr C Meredith

Cllr Meredith has been granted leave of absence for 6 months, because of pressure of work outside the area. Ms J Richards had resigned from the group.

1. Review of Consultation Notes and Actions

Cllr Dew had integrated parts of the NCC and LCC consultation documents and the new document was agreed and accepted by the members.

Mr Alun Lowe had sent the pertinent Lydia Beynon S106 agreement documents to the clerk to LCC.

Mr McKeand was absent and no update re the Village Hall was possible.

Cllr Dew had invited members of the existing LCC Centenary Field working party to join the new group.

Mrs Litt will be the initial point of contact for Maplewood and Cllr Jeffrey for the War Memorial. The lead for the Centenary Field project has to be decided.

2. NCC update.

Mr McGow and Mr Wood presented a collage of sample play apparatus and an image of a possible layout of the Toddler Park at Maplewood. In designing the park, European standards of space and safety of play equipment have to be met and maintained. A ground survey would be necessary and safety surfacing for particular areas considered. The safety of the railings around the park needs addressing.

Mr Wood highlighted the possible differences in costs of landscaping the 2 remaining sites under consideration for the proposed War Memorial.

Action: Mr McGow to prepare a financial projection for Maplewood to be presented at the next meeting.

Action: Mrs Littler, Mrs Litt and Cllr Dew to begin the consultation process as soon as is convenient and a corresponding time line to be constructed.

Action: Mr Wood to contact Mr Crouch, a Maplewood resident, for details of his dealings with Dwr Cymru.

3. Project Timelines

3.1 Maplewood.

Maplewood was seen as a priority, with 2 weeks maximum given to do the underground investigations before going out to tender. A minimum of 4 tenders would be required. It was hoped that the applications to tender would be received in December for awarding the contract in January. A guidance of 4 weeks for manufacture of the chosen products and 4 weeks installation was given. A bespoke system may be required if there are underground problems in the park.

Action: NCC officers to draw up tender documents after the consultation process analysis.

3.2. War Memorial

Consultation re the War Memorial should begin in 2 weeks time and be closed by the end of November, when the contract for the build would be placed, for completion at the end of March.

Action: Cllr Jeffrey to organise the consultation to start in two weeks.

3.3. Centenary Field.

It was hoped that the completion of the development would be by the end of June, 2016. Much work had already been done and targets and a design are in place.

Action: Mr McGow to prepare tender documents.

4. Maplewood

Please see notes 2 and 3.1.

Action: Cllr Dew to include the explanatory note in the questionnaire.

5. War Memorial.

Please see notes 2 and 3.2.

Action: Cllr Jeffrey to include the explanatory note in the questionnaire.

6. Centenary Field. (Park End Playing Field).

Please see note at 3.3.

Action: Cllr Dew to invite members of the new working group to a meeting at the Kennet room on Monday, 19th October at 6pm.

7. AOB

Signage in Langstone was briefly discussed, as were insurance liabilities. Controlling dog fouling is an ongoing problem and various measures were suggested.

The date of the next meeting has to be agreed.

The meeting closed at 7.40.