

ES&BG Neighbourhood Plan Steering Team Meeting 1930 Monday 11th October 2022 ([11th October 2022 \(Web view\)](#))

Present: Marian Dain; Charles Gillow; Paul Debenham; Tony Greener; Gill Lock; John Dain (reporter)

Apologies:; Beth Reed; Simon Willson (could not connect);

Agenda

- Agree record of last meeting ([12th September 2022 \(Web view\)](#))
- Risk Review/Update (Marian) ([Working Risk Matrix \(Web view\)](#))
- Action Log Review (Marian) ([Action Log \(Web view\)](#))
- Finance update (Charles)
- Discuss/agree outcome and response to Reg 14 Consultation that ended Friday 7th October (summary will be circulated by Monday evening)
- Agree steps/timing towards earliest possible Regulation 15/16 submission.
 - PC has agreed a provisional extraordinary meeting on Friday 21st October should we have the plan with required modifications ready for PC to approve submission.
 - Fallback is for approval to submit at PC meeting scheduled for Wed 9th November.
- Development news, latest steps in B&D BC LPU, B&D BC NP Liaison (Marian)
- Next Steering Group Meetings – current proposed dates (all are shortly before ES&BG PC meetings).
 - Per PC meeting detail above, we may need a special SG meeting ahead of 21st October to agree readiness for submission
 - Monday 7th November 2022 @ 1930
 - Tuesday 6th December 2022 @ 1930
- Any other business

Status/Decisions/Actions

1. Record of meeting on 12th September agreed – has been put up on NP pages of parish website
2. Risk review. Risks related to Reg 14 PSC now closed. Key risks now revolve around timing of submission, challenges from examination and overall timing vs referendum by no later than May 4 local elections. Most seem manageable but overall timing is tight given the long period for examination (likely 15 weeks vs normal 13 because of Christmas...)
3. Action Log. Updated to reflect that Reg 14 PSC complete and on our way to submission..
4. Finance. One tranche of recovered VAT received. We look like overspending the Locality grant by £1.6-£2k ... PC has already agreed to cover this.
5. The outcome of the Reg 14 Pre-Sub Consultation looks good in that there are no obvious show-stoppers for us to proceed towards examination – our consultant agrees this.
 - B&D BC response is basically supportive but with a number of suggested improvements/alterations and some important messages that we cannot over-reach on policies vs NPPF and other policy. SG reviewed the suggestions and these have been passed to o-h who are now updating the policies sections. MD and JD will be covering off some of the points in a call with B&D BC Planning on 13 Oct.
 - Nothing material from any other Statutory Consultees.
 - Overall community response was supportive with only a small number of formal objections from immediate neighbours of the chosen sites. There was a group of

“reluctant” supporters who do not like the choice of BGI but ultimately recognise this is the only option vs the community mandate on housing numbers/type and the key objective for everyone to get the plan made to defend against un-wanted developments. Feedback will be prepared/issued this week.

- Representations from promoters of BGB/BGF sites and Bishops Green Farm (Catesby) included challenge as to why we are doing the plan given the B&D BC LPU is not complete (and now paused) and challenges to the site selection process and some policies. None of these should be a problem and these type of representations are a typical part of the process and will require responses. It is apparent that there is work underway on a development proposal for the land by Bishops Green Farmhouse (one of the older SHELAA sites) so we may see a planning application sometime....
 - Overall, the SG agreed to proceed for submission as soon as practicable taking a pragmatic view on policy modifications to maximise the chances of successful examination.
6. Activities are now underway to get to a position what the PC can sign off the Submission Plan at an extraordinary meeting on October 21st. SG members agreed to review documents as they are completed over the next 10 days and (assuming we are on track) sign off the Submission Plan by email on 20th October. The PC will be briefed on progress/way forward on 12th October and completed documents will be shared with them in the same way.
 7. No significant new development/planning news. No indication yet on timing for the Catesby/Hathor applications going to committee. The PC Chair has sent a letter to the planning officer responsible indicating the successful completion of the NP Reg 14 PSC process and our imminent submission – this has been acknowledged.
 8. Dates for next meetings are proposed as follows

When	What
Monday 7th November 2022 @ 1930	Per last meeting but if submission has happened, there may be little to discuss so a placeholder
Monday 5 th or Tuesday 6th December 2022 @ 1930	Some members unable to attend one or both these dates – again placeholder in case needed.
Further dates	TBC

No other business – meeting closed.