

ES&BG Neighbourhood Plan Steering Team Meeting

1930 Monday 12th September 2022 ([12th September 2022 \(Web view\)](#))

Present: Marian Dain; Charles Gillow; John Dain (reporter)

Apologies: Paul Debenham; Tony Greener; Gill Lock; Beth Reed; Simon Willson;

Agenda

- Agree record of last meeting ([9th August 2022 \(Web view\)](#))
- Risk Review/Update (Marian) ([Working Risk Matrix \(Web view\)](#))
- Action Log Review (Marian) ([Action Log \(Web view\)](#))
- Finance update (Charles)
 - Invoice from oneil homer for work up to Reg 14 initiation
 - Budget/plan for further work
- Early reactions to Reg 14 Consultation (summary will be circulated on Monday morning) (All)
- Plans for drop-in sessions on 15th/21st/24th (John)
- Development news, latest steps in B&D BC LPU, B&D BC NP Liaison (Marian)
- Next Steering Group Meetings
- Any other business

Status/Decisions/Actions

1. Record of meeting on 9th August agreed – has been put up on NP pages of parish website
2. Risk review. A few updates to this reflecting that with the Reg 14 process underway, some risks have receded. Other risks are still with us especially the status of the B&D BC LPU and possible derailment by approval of one of the significant development proposals (Catesby/Hathor). Timing remains key and timely delivery by o-h is key to ensuring we transition from the Reg 14 process into the Reg 15/16 phases as fast as practicable (depending on what emerges from the Reg 14 Consultation). We have had confirmation from B&D BC that we will not need an HRA following the issue raised about nitrates in the Test Valley with the East Woodhay NP.
3. Action Log. Updated to reflect that we have Reg 14 PSC underway and need to be setting up for Reg 15/16.
4. Finance. We can pay the o-h bill for the work up to initiation of Reg 14 Consultation with the PC providing some cash flow cover for the VAT recovery process to complete. We will then have money for about 5 days of o-h time available for the review of Reg 14 outcome and prep for Reg 15/16. Marian to consult Jon D on the viability of this. PC will need (and have agreed) to cover the incidental expenses (Hall hires, banners, leaflets, etc) as o-h will spend our Locality budget. PC may want to employ o-h for post examination advice (this will be at a higher rate)
5. A few responses so far to the Reg 14 Consultation. Besides some concern by immediate neighbours to the allocation of BGI, the other topic raised by 2 parties is the direction that all new homes should be “affordable” against a background where the parish already has an unusually high proportion of social housing to rent. We will need to make it clearer that the extra homes proposed in the plan are to be “affordable to buy” (not premium homes in terms of size/facilities) and that we are not proposing more social housing to rent.

6. Format/process for the drop-in sessions discussed/agreed (details attached and here ([Drop-In Sessions 15/21/24 September](#) ([Web view](#)))). Marian will contact SG members to see who else can join.
7. The recently announced “reset” of the B&D BC LPU process is a concern. While it might result in less pressure for extra homes, it extends the current situation where B&D BC are behind target. This means early delivery of our NP remains critical and the fact that the plan address the need for (limited) extra home to meet local growth is our best defence against predatory developers. The PC are marshalling objections to the Hathor proposal for Woodside View following the slightly amended proposal recently made public.
8. Dates for next meetings are proposed as follows

When	What
Tuesday 11th October 2022 @ 1930	Important meeting with main agenda item to review outcome of Reg 14 PSC completing on 7 October and work on set up for Reg 15/16
Monday 7th November 2022 @ 1930	One day earlier than previous plan BUT may want to move back into October depending on timing for Reg 15/16
Tuesday 6th December 2022 @ 1930	Placeholder – may need to move or cancel depending on Reg 15/16
Further dates	TBC

No other business – meeting closed.