

KINGS BARTON FORUM

Tuesday, 21 January 2020

Attendance:

Councillors

Cllr Rutter (Winchester City Council) (Chairperson)

Cllr Cunningham, Winchester City Council

Cllr Godfrey, Winchester City Council

Cllr Horrill, Winchester City Council

Cllr Learney, Winchester City Council

Cllr Porter, Winchester City Council

Cllr Prince, Winchester City Council

Cllr Duncan, Headbourne Worthy Parish Council

Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Griffiths (Winchester City Council), Cllr Warwick (Hampshire County Council), Cllr Tod (Hampshire County Council) and Cllr Saunders (Littleton & Harestock Parish Council)

Audio recording of the meeting

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1. **CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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The Chairperson read a statement that had been provided by the Safer Roads, Casualty Reduction Team at Hampshire County Council regarding a recent tragic incident which was currently being investigated. The Chairperson proposed to write, on behalf of the Forum, to Hampshire County Council, expressing its serious concerns of this matter which was agreed by the Forum.

2. **DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS**

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Councillor Porter declared a personal (but not prejudicial) interest in relation to agenda items which may relate to Hampshire County Council matters due to her role as a County Councillor.

3. **MINUTES**

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RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 5 November 2019 be approved and adopted.

4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and invited members of the public to address the Forum.

Prior to the meeting, the Kings Barton Residents Association had notified officers of the questions they wished to ask and these questions had been made available to members at the meeting. The questions were in relation to the following subjects; phase 1B completion dates, speeding vehicles in shared areas, play parks for older children, safe crossing on Andover Road North, footpath lighting and maintenance, cycle path to Courtenay Road, recruitment of the Community Development Worker and Swift nest boxes. Mr Hill from CALA Homes and Winchester City Council officers provided a verbal response to the questions raised.

Following the verbal responses, Caterina Zucca, representing the Kings Barton Residents Association addressed the Forum with additional comments and questions which were also responded to by Mr Hill and officers. Members of the Forum also asked a number of questions relating to; play parks, improving road safety along Andover Road and footpath/cycle path surfaces. These were responded to by officers and Mr Hill.

Regarding the next meeting of the Forum, scheduled for the 17th March 2020, the Chairperson advised the Residents Association that if they were to submit their questions by the 9th March this would give officers sufficient time to prepare written responses.

Mr Parker on behalf of Winchester Scouts Association addressed the Forum and gave an update on the Winchester Scout Association and an outline of plans that the Association had. Mr Parker suggested that, if the Forum was in agreement then a presentation at a future meeting would be helpful. The Forum discussed Mr Parker's proposals and was supportive of receiving more information at a future meeting.

5. **KINGS BARTON IMPLEMENTATION REPORT AND VERBAL UPDATE**

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Mr Hughes provided the Forum with an update on progress at Kings Barton including the development process and future works.

Mr Hughes reported that all 223 dwellings at Phase 1B were now sold and that discussions with Hampshire County Council Highways continue in order to allow

the adoptable roads to be put forward for their twelve month maintenance period. In addition, the construction at Phase 1A continues, 14 homes had now been sold with several occupations taking place before the end of 2019.

Mr Hughes also updated the Forum regarding Barton Meadows which consist of two large meadows surrounded by areas of rough grassland, hedgerow and trees. The reserve was created during the planning process as part of the Kings Barton housing development to support displaced wildlife and to provide a recreation space. During the summer of 2019 Arcadian ecology consultancy had conducted a number of bat surveys across the reserve. The surveys were targeted on key habitats where results were likely to offer a good representation of species present and demonstrated that 12 of the 17 UK resident species had been recorded, a very significant result ([the full survey is available on this link](#)). Mr Hughes advised that the Wildlife Trust had offered to brief the Forum in more detail at a future meeting which the Forum welcomed.

Mr Hill, from CALA Homes also provided an update on progress. He advised members that they would shortly receive a formal invitation for a site visit to look at progress being made in the South of the development. He also advised that he was looking into the installation of artwork within the roundabout.

Members raised a number of questions following the updates. The areas covered by the questions included: footpath lighting, S106 delivery triggers, an explanation of environmental considerations, Park & Ride progress and an update regarding the Extra Care facility. These questions were responded to by officers and Mr Hill.

RESOLVED:

That the content of the report be noted.

The meeting commenced at 6.30 pm and concluded at 7.50 pm

Chairperson