

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the New Community North of Fareham Strategic Board

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

*Minutes of a meeting held on 13 March 2013
at the Civic Offices, Fareham*

PRESENT:

Councillor Seán Woodward (Chairman)

Peter Grimwood
Richard Jolley

Andrew Wannell

Councillor Graham Burgess
Stuart Jarvis
Gary Jeffries
Henry Cleary
Glynne Benge
Mark Thistlethwayte

Executive Leader, Fareham Borough
Council

Chief Executive Officer, Fareham BC
Director of Planning & Environment,
Fareham BC

Director of Finance & Resources,
Fareham BC

Hampshire County Council

Hampshire County Council

Solent Local Enterprise Partnership

Independent Representative

Landowner Representative

Landowner Representative

Also in attendance: Selina Crocombe, Head of NCNF.



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Keith Evans (Executive Member, Fareham BC) and Kevin Bourner (Homes & Communities Agency).

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Strategic Board held on 5 December 2012 were AGREED as a correct record. ([ncnfsb-121205-m](#)).

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's Announcements.

4. UPDATE FROM OTHER GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE GROUPS

(i) Standing Conference

At the invitation of the Chairman, Henry Cleary, the Chairman of the Standing Conference, spoke to a [paper](#) circulated to members prior to the meeting which contained summaries of the notes of the Standing Conference workshops held on 20 November 2012 (Greenspace Infrastructure and the wider landscape setting), 3 December 2012 (Achieving a quality place and masterplanning the new community) and 12 February 2013 (Education and community); and reported on the meeting of the Standing Conference held on 21 February 2013, which had looked at two main topics; funding for infrastructure and the environment.

It was AGREED that the Chairman of the Standing Conference be thanked for his report.

(ii) Landowner Liaison Group

Richard Jolley reported that there had been no meeting of the Landowner Liaison Group since the last meeting of the Strategic Board. A meeting scheduled for 8 March 2013 had been deferred to mid-April to enable the Group to have the benefit of a preview of the preferred option masterplan which was due to be submitted to the meeting of Fareham Borough Council's Executive on 15 April 2013 prior to the commencement of the formal public consultation period (late April - early June 2013).

It was AGREED that the report be noted.

(iii) Funding Infrastructure Working Group

Andrew Wannell reported that the Funding Infrastructure Working Group had met on 28 January 2013, when members had been introduced to representatives of GVA. The next meeting would be held on 25 March 2013, the outcome of which would be reported to the meeting of the Executive on 15 April 2013.

It was AGREED that the report be noted.

5. REPORT ON THE STANDING CONFERENCE SCHOOLS WORKSHOP

The Strategic Board received a [presentation](#) from Henry Cleary, the Chairman of the Standing Conference, on the Schools Workshop held on 12 February 2013 (minute 4 (i) above also refers). The presentation included New community - why education is a priority issue, 2 sets of issues relating to schools and community and leisure facilities, changing provision, conclusions and actions.

It was AGREED that:-

- (a) the information be noted; and
- (b) it be noted that the proposed new community was of a sufficient size to justify at least one secondary school but that this could not be considered in isolation from the rest of Fareham.

6. PLANNING UPDATE AND MASTERPLAN PREVIEW SESSION

The Strategic Board received a [presentation](#) from the Head of the NCNF on planning and the masterplan preview session, including the current position and consultation arrangements.

It was AGREED that:-

- (a) the presentation be noted;
- (b) it be noted that the briefing for Strategic Board and Standing Conference members would take place on Tuesday 23 April from 3 - 5.30pm and that invitations would be sent out during the current week; and
- (c) it be noted that the consultation period would run from 29 April to 10 June 2013.

7. UPDATE ON NAMING THE NEW COMMUNITY

The Chairman reported that, following extensive research, three options for the name for the new community had been identified: Spurlings; Swansdell; and Welborne. Information about the options had been published on the Council's website, at presentations in local schools and in the local newspaper. Details were on display in the reception area of the Civic Offices, where people could vote for their preferred option. In addition, votes could be cast electronically. The result of the voting would be announced at the meeting of the Executive on 15 April 2013.

It was AGREED that the information be noted.

8. UPDATES FROM STRATEGIC BOARD MEMBERS

Mark Thistlethwayte sought clarification about when the Strategic Board would have an input to the preparation of the planning and master-planning process, referring to the information that was due to be considered by Fareham Borough Council's

Executive at its meeting on 15 April 2013. The Chairman clarified that the Draft Plan (including the related preferred concept masterplan) that the Executive would be considering on 15 April would, in particular, seek to address the issues highlighted by all parties (including Strategic Board members) in response to the previous concept masterplan options consultation carried out in Summer 2012. The Chairman advised that the informal briefing of the Strategic Board and Standing Conference members scheduled for 23 April marked the commencement of the next phase of consultation, the outcome of which would then inform the preparation of the Pre-Submission Draft Plan programmed to be reported to the Executive in November 2013, for approval for submission for independent examination.

Stuart Jarvis reported that Hampshire County Council hoped to provide Fareham Borough Council with an updated position on transport matters by the following week.

Henry Cleary reported that the Standing Conference would not attempt to develop a view on the preferred concept masterplan at the briefing session on 2 April 2013. Instead it intended to arrange a meeting in late May 2013 when it would seek to reach consensus on a response to be submitted as part of the consultation process.

(The meeting started at 6.15pm and ended at 6.57pm).