

Dore Neighbourhood Forum

50th Steering Group meeting, 4th March 2020

Present: Christopher Pennell (CP), David Bearpark (DRB), David Crosby (DC) and Pat Ryan (PR).

Apologies

1. CP reported that Jen Donnelly had resigned from the Steering Group. She now has more commitments, becoming treasurer of the DVS, spending more time on the Dore Show and working longer hours. Members expressed their thanks for Jen's work over the years. There were no apologies.

Minutes of the meeting held on 13th November 2019.

2. The minutes were agreed as a correct record. **CP will arrange** for them to be posted on the DVS website.

Matters arising on the Minutes.

3. Minute 6 of the meeting on 05/08/19: it was agreed that this did not need pursuing.
4. With reference to minute 11, it was noted that Adele was content with the Consultation Statement as amended.
5. With regard to minute 15, there were now regular exchanges with BBEST.
6. Minute 16, DRB confirmed that this info. had been passed to PR on 22nd November.

Forward Timetable for the Neighbourhood Plan

7. It was noted that, although recent email exchanges with SCC suggested that the validation process was now nearing a conclusion, it was now 24 weeks since we had submitted our DNP. Despite the considerable passage of time, happily little had emerged from the validation process.
8. Emails from Maria Duffy had emphasised that there were two aspects to be addressed before the Examination itself. There was the validation process itself, followed by actions needed prior to Examination. The document produced by SCC set out the various elements within this; and section 10 (or appendix 1 as it is also described) of the document showed what we would need to do to meet OS copyright requirements.
9. There was discussion about what would need to be done — including showing the required Map approvals, obscuring the number plate on page 39, and using a minimum size 12 font. It was agreed that **CP and DC would meet** to ensure that all such requirements had been identified, talking to Shanza at SCC if necessary.
10. It was noted that all the changes would need to be incorporated within the online version of the DNP (there was no need to produce another hard copy version), noting that this would require changes to the pagination index. We would need to get the designers to make the required changes; and **CP would meet with them** to do this.

Regulation 16 Public Consultation.

11. Section 16(b) of Part 5 of the regulations showed that all the Bodies that had been consulted needed to be notified. CP had sent details of all our pre-submission consultees to SCC, who were satisfied.
12. When the formal public Consultation commences, SCC will be asking us to assist with publicity. This was expected to be similar to the previous publicity process regarding the re-designation i.e. publicity on the DVS website & noticeboards & at Totley Library.
13. It was also clear that *all* documents associated with the DNP would need to be published. In the context of the DVS website, **CP had already written** to KS and JE to forewarn them of this requirement, with preliminary suggestions for rewording the Forum page at the appropriate time.
14. It was noted that Screening documents were owned by the Bodies that produced them.
15. It was felt that an SG meeting just to handle this publicity stage was not necessary.

The Examination.

16. CP reported on the email exchanges with SCC and PDPNA about the Examination. Our initiation of this discussion had been productive, producing helpful comments from Adele, as well as engaging with SCC about the next steps in the process.
17. We were now awaiting further comments from SCC; and then we should seek to arrange a meeting to discuss the next steps, not least as all recent exchanges had been by email and a face-to-face meeting from time to time is always useful.
18. It was noted that the Examination would most likely just be a paper exercise (possibly with the Examiner visiting the area, unaccompanied), and there was no expectation that we would be engaging directly in person with the Examiner at all.
19. The question was raised as to whether we should encourage local residents to write in response to the Reg. 16 Consultation in support of the Plan, knowing that the Examiner would see all responses; but there was uncertainty about this, with a decision postponed.
20. DC noted that he had spoken to Sarah Smith on her last working day at the SCC and has thanked her for all her help over the years on the DNP.

Action needed on DVS Website.

21. This had been addressed under minute 13 above.

SCC Local Development Scheme.

22. CP referred to papers before the SCC Planning Committee where planning officers regularly explained the consequences for decision-making of the existing SCC Local Plan being out of date.
23. It was noted that the table at the end of the SCC website new Local Development Scheme suggested that the updated Local Plan would be adopted by August 2023. On this basis, if the DNP is approved, then it will have effect for c.3 years before the SCC Plan is adopted; and it will have weight on any planning applications. It was further noted that the LDS prediction of the publication for consultation of the SCC Issues and Options document in July 2020 was timetabled slightly before adoption of the DNP.

Follow-Up actions from an Adopted DNP.

24. There will be a great deal of work required in terms of actions consequent upon the adoption of the DNP. Every Policy on the Plan has at least one, and often several, action points. For example, there are 9 proposed Open Spaces, each of which requires a management plan to be developed and then implemented.
25. Many of these action points will be for the DVS to pursue; and CP has already sent a paper to the DVS committee pointing this out. Quite possibly it will be necessary to expand the committee, or least identify additional helpers.
26. DC reported that he had previously suggested to Sarah Smith that the DVS or DNF should automatically be sent copies of any planning proposals in the Dore Area. It was agreed to raise this again. **DC will prepare a suggestion** to go to the SCC.

Any Other Business.

27. We will need to decide on how we campaign for a positive referendum result for the DNP. It was agreed that we should wait until the Examiner had reported, possibly with suggested variations to the DNP, before addressing this.
28. CP reported that he had met with residents and local councillors about the current planning application relating to Long Line. He intended to attend the hearing and speak. But in advance he had prepared a written statement, which allowed all the salient points to be set out clearly, both for the Panel and the SCC Officers.

Future Meetings.

29. It was agreed that it was premature to arrange another meeting at this stage. When it seemed necessary, **CP would contact** members.

