



Date: 2022 April 4th

Present: Keith Armour, Helen Armour, Caroline Heron, Charlotte Lincoln, Jane Holliday

Apologies: Judith Foster, Mel Perry

Beneath is a summary of the discussion points with agreed actions. Progress had been slower than wished in the past month and the following were agreed to be necessary to get us back on track:

1. **Settlement boundary:**

1. In order to manage infill sites the settlement boundary needs to re-drawn to include

North Marston Lane catteries site (Change of Use potential) down to pumping station and Newmans Close to Old Barns. Keith will advise ONH for this to be done

ACTION KA

2. Is it possible under this exercise to extend the SB behind the catteries to include a house depth worth of land into site L? Discuss with ONH **ACTION KA**

2. **Green Spaces:**

1. Jane is going to pull together final recommendations to share with ONH by April 12th

ACTION JH

2. Key views have been considered as part of the exercise and will be included in the recommendations

3. **Local Gaps:**

1. It was realised that the group had not fully considered this previously and an extensive discussion followed.

2. The purpose of a local gap is to ensure delineation of one settlement from another. This follows our policy already set to protect from further blurring of Whitchurch from surrounding villages.

3. It was agreed that the old sandpit site on Oving Road (aka site A) meets this criteria and should be defined as a local gap otherwise Whitchurch and Oving would be fully joined. Advise ONH **ACTION KA**.

4. A discussion followed about the potential of allocating other local gaps; notably below Little London to Hardwick and on the south side of Cublington Road to Hardwick. It was agreed that although both sites were on the periphery of

Whitchurch there was no serious risk of encroachment and that these sites would not be put forward unless ONH felt they made sense. **ACTION KA**

4. Active Travel Network :

a. This had not been properly considered and we discussed several activities:

- i. Mapping of all 1, existing pavements, 2.footpaths and 3.bridleways to show what is present. ONH should be able to produce 2 and 3 for us. Keith will ask them: **ACTION KA**
- ii. Since the meeting it has occurred to KA that existing pavements will need to be overlaid on top of 4a.i. and should be mapped as part of action 4.a.iii below: **ACTION CH and KA**
- iii. We need to consider and make recommendations about where either new pavement of footpath access should be recommended to maximise ease of pedestrian movement through the village. Example of path needed to Parrot Bros on Cublington Road. **ACTION CH and KA**
- iv. We need to make recommendations where the Active Travel Network is present but in a poor state or compromised. Examples were crumbling footpath by the allotments on Oving Road and footpath almost unpassable from the bus stop on High Street to Church Headland **ACTION CH and KA**
- v. It was agreed that no-one could anticipate how cycling access could be established other than a generic wish to link a cycle lane north to Winslow and South to Aylesbury. Advise ONH **ACTION KA**
- vi. Can currently “permissive footpaths” be suggested as actual footpaths? What is the process? Discuss with ONH **ACTION KA**

5. Local Business Report : A report on local business is needed by April 12th : Action KA

6. NDHA's : Confirm to ONH that we will not be pursuing any NDHA's : ACTION KA

7. Next meeting : May 16th, 7:30pm, 4 Crabsgrove, Whitchurch