

SHEEPY PARISH COUNCIL

THE VILLAGES OF

Sheepy Magna, Sheepy Parva, Sibson, Wellsborough, Upton, Pinwall and Cross Hands

Sheepy Parish Neighbourhood Plan

A summary from the August 2018 Steering group meetings with subsequent updates.

Activity and Timing – the next stage of the process

The Submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan has been sent to HBBC and accepted, resulting in the Submission Consultation phase commencing 5th Sept running until 15th Oct, during which time comments can be made. All information is available on our website with paper copies available for inspection across the Parish and Market Bosworth library.

The two final stages of the plan adoption, i.e. Independent Examination and Referendum, are to follow completion and review of the Submission Consultation.

Progress against Plan

After continued repeated engagement between the SG and HBBC there still exists a major gap in the expected time to completion, despite good operational support from HBBC Planning Policy over the last 2 months.

A very brief summary is given below.

- 1a. A meeting took place on 15 August between members of the SG, together with our planning consultant, & members of HBBC planning department (No legal representatives were able to attend) on the timetable to reach the referendum stage. This was followed up by emails from HBBC re-iterating their time schedule which disappointingly does not match with the timetable we have in mind.

i.e. The SG believes a January referendum and February 2019 completion is achievable and this position is supported by our Planning Consultant.

HBBC's position is that due to their constitution and electoral requirements, they cannot resource completion until at least September 2019.

They can resource up to and including independent Examination only possibly by the end January 2019. This is a gap of **seven** months. (NB - this affects ALL NP projects within the borough and none will complete before late 2019)

We feel that there is clash here between what is legally expected and the HBBC constitution

In light of the difference with the given timescales which we consider to be unacceptable, the SG would ask that the PC support us in escalating this through to our Borough Councillor and if necessary, our MP, to achieve what we consider to be the correct resolution.

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1. Budget

Locality Grant Application.

The Finance Officer has successfully processed the Locality Grant application.

Income/Budget (2018/19):

Grant income: £5,891.00 (equivalent to £7,068.60 when recoverable VAT added)

Parish Council: £7,000.00 (allocated in 2018/19 budget)

TOTAL: £14,068.60 (inc recoverable VAT for grant)

Expenditure (2018/19):

Expand Digital (web hosting): £68.00 (inc VAT)

Parish-on-Line subscription: £70.80 (inc VAT)

Planit-X (Jan-Mar 2018): £1,930.50 (inc VAT)

Planit-X (Apr-Aug 2018): £6,088.50 (inc VAT)

TOTAL TO DATE: £8,157.80 (inc VAT)

2. Communications

Hard copies of the submission version of the plan, and all the support information which was part of the submission - Basic Conditions, Consultation, Screening docs etc. are being placed in agreed locations:

- Market Bosworth and Atherstone libraries, as our locations all have limited access. (by HBBC)
- Sheepy Memorial Hall – Sheepy Magna
- Sibson Village Hall - Sibson
- St Botolph Church - Sibson
- All Saints Church – Sheepy Magna – Closed – not available
- The Cock Inn (Public House) - Sibson
- The Black Horse (Public House) – Sheepy Magna
- Hinckley Hub

3. Steering Group

The review to see if there would be any impact from the newly released National Planning Policy Framework 2018 (NPPF) on the Submission Plan has concluded that this would not be the case.

Mick Toogood (Chair)