

UBB Javelin Park Community Liaison Group.

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday September 19th 2017

Present

Cllr. David Mossman (Chair)	Stroud District Council
Cllr Gill Oxley	Stroud District Council
Herve Orjubin	UBB
Ian Barber	UBB
Andrew Bendall	UBB
Caroline MacDonald	UBB
Sue Hartley	Standish Parish Council
Robert Kellie	Standish Parish Council
Chris Harmer	Consultant
Humphrey Cooke	Haresfield Parish Council
Rob Gaffney	Resident
Roger Smith	Gloucestershire County Council
Cllr Lesley Williams	Gloucestershire County Council
Gordon Buchanan	Stroud District Council
John Dickinson	Moreton Valence Parish Council
Lyn Bushell	Moreton Valence Parish Council
Sarah Pearse	Gloucestershire County Council
Sarah Dennis	Environment Agency
Tim Jackson	Stonehouse Town Council
Carol Kambites	Stonehouse Town Council
Pat Gilmore	Whitminster Parish Council

In attendance

Neil James, Chris White and Mark Iles (Western Power) and Kevin Lee, Clerk

33/17 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from; John Perkin, Graham Smith, Cllr Stephen Davies and Dave Jackson.

34/17 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on July 11th were approved as a correct record. Ian Barber confirmed that the up to date Minutes were now on the UBB website

35 /17 Route of Power Cable to EFW, Presentation by Western Power

Neil James of WPD gave a presentation on the route for the power cable supply to the EFW Facility. NJ advised the Group that the factors for the proposed route took into account; engineering, cost and time-scale. It had been acknowledged that there

were concerns about the impact on the High Street, Stonehouse. WPD had provided details to the County Council and UBB of a potential alternative route. NJ confirmed that the final decision taken by the customer took into account the commercial and financial elements.

In response to questions, Andrew Bendall informed the Group that an alternative route would have additional costs of several millions of pounds and there would be an added risk element in respect of delivery and time-scale. AB added that the commercial costs had been and associated information had been given to the County Council.

NJ and his colleagues issued maps of the route and informed members that works would commence on September 25th 2017. (Addn. copies would be sent to all group members). Details of the traffic management system to be implemented were also given. It was likely that the works would cover a distance of 200m each time. The working time would also be flexible. Weekend working could be possible but this would need to be agreed between UBB and WPD.

Members from Stonehouse and Standish asked if more time could be given to consider the proposals before giving a formal response.

RESOLVED NJ agreed to a further meeting which would be held on October 5th at Stonehouse Town Council

36/17 Tree Planting- Haresfield

Ian Barber reported that he was awaiting confirmation from the contractor before the work could commence. It was understood that the ongoing maintenance of the trees would be the responsibility of Haresfield Farms. IB would follow this up with Haresfield Farms

RESOLVED To note and for IB to speak to contractor

37/17 Recycling Rates

David Mossman had raised the question of the impact that improved recycling rates would have on the operation of the EFW. A letter of reply from the leader of the County Council, Mark Hawthorne was circulated to members. MH had stated that recycling rates of Stroud District Council had improved and was closer to the levels being achieved in other districts. There was no intention to take waste from other areas in order to supply the EFW. In response to David's question 3 on the need to 'alter the planning permission, the Leaders response was that 'there is no need to make changes to the planned operation. '

38/17 Look Ahead Construction Plan

Ian Barber referred to the schedule circulated previously and highlighted some of the works with recent photographs. In response to questions IB informed the group that the depth of the piles was around 20m. The steel for the flue was being produced in the UK but manufactured in Spain then transported to Javelin Park. The lights around the construction would be used as and when required.

RESOLVED To note the report

39/17 Funding of Community Projects

David Mossman reminded the group that the agreed funding for community projects would commence in 2019. He suggested that possibly two representatives from each parish/town council would form a sub group to review and agree projects. Members agreed that this should be an item for discussion in May 2018.

Carol Kambites asked if UBB would consider funding free car parking in Stonehouse during the cable laying works. Andrew Bendall agreed to raise this with the Board

RESOLVED to agree the arrangements for considering community projects in May 2018 and for AB to ask the UBB Board to consider funding free car parking in Stonehouse during the cable laying work

40/17 Community Feedback

IB reported that he had received comments from Rob Gaffney that there had been some instances of noise outside the agreed working hours. This had been investigated and taken up with the contractor.

Sue Hartley had asked, at the request of Standish residents, whether an increase in the number of unauthorised heavy vehicles on the B4008 could be coming from Javelin Park and if a series of newly installed telegraph poles were related to the site. IB reported that he had reassured Sue that the heavy vehicles were not coming from JP and that additional signage was being organised. He had also checked with the telegraph poles were not related to any work by UBB or its contractor

RESOLVED To note the report

41/17 Smiths Waste and Recycling

David Mossman reported on a discussion he had with the divisional manager of Smiths in respect of their planning application to increase the size of their facility. It was noted that this was outside the remit of UBB. It was agreed to set up a separate meeting with Smiths

RESOLVED to arrange a meeting with Smiths with representatives from the relevant parish councils

Meeting Closed at 20.55