



**Minutes of the Working Party**

Date of Meeting:

10<sup>th</sup> December, 2018

Venue: The home of CLT

Name	Initials	Present - P Apologies - A Absent - AB	Name	Initials	Present - P Apologies - A Absent - AB
Nick Ashby has resigned but will continue to receive minutes and, hopefully help with manning the Exhibition	NA	DNA	James Laband	JL	P
Robert Brightman	RPB	P	Carol Mason	CM	A
Charles Challinger	CC	AB	Carol Tosh	CT	P
Robert Farmer	RF	A	John Rudland	JR	P
Noel Hopper	NH	AB	Martin Williams	MW	P

Chair	Clerk	Quorum - one third of total membership (i.e. 4)
Robert Brightman	Carol Tosh	Quorate – 5 members present

Item	Comments
1	<b>Welcome and apologies for absence</b>  Received and as noted above.
2	<b>Secretary/Clerk</b>  CLT agreed to take notes of the meeting
3	<b>Declaration of Interests</b>

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	There were no Declarations of Interest.
4	<b>Minutes of the meeting 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2018</b>
	Minutes of the meeting held on 15 <sup>th</sup> October were approved. CT would forward to JL/JR for inclusion on the PC website and CT would add them to 'Final' in Dropbox. <b>Action: CLT/JL/JR</b>
5	<b>Matters Arising</b>
	All actions had been completed.
6	<b>GSA – Preliminary results</b>
	<p>MW took everyone through the computer graphics he had completed from the [“mountain” of] original work to assess each grid of the matrix (using the original criteria through to the ‘weightings’, when the village had been asked to comment on the relative merit of those criteria). Group members felt the work by MW was deeply impressive, with graphics produced which would be a central plank of future decision making and the planned exhibition. MW was thanked for his efforts.</p> <p>Now there was the need to align this with the work done by RPB on the ‘mini’ Masterplans based on the “Call for Sites” map.</p> <p>All members now felt that they could justifiably present this systematic work as scientifically rigorous, unbiased and statistically accurate.</p>
7/8	<p><b>THE EXHIBITION</b></p> <p>Caroline Brown (graphics specialist) has already started work on the Masterplans by stitching together the individual sites into computerized version(s) overlain on the OS map of the village.</p> <p><b>JR will research the costs of display boards</b>, although CB may have access to those she uses.  <b>CT will speak to Groundwork</b> re the exhibition funding and how it fits into their remit.  <b>RPB will discuss costs with CB and advise the group.</b></p> <p>The Easter vacation was deemed to be a suitable time for the Exhibition and <b>CT would discuss the hire of the School Hall</b> later this week. Likely dates being <b>9<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> April</b> thereby giving the village the maximum exposure to our plans.</p> <p>RPB had been able to photograph the 1997 oblique Aerial photograph held on behalf of the Parish Council in the White Horse. Again, a valuable visual representation of the changing face of the village. The acute sun angle clearly reveals mediaeval ridge and furrow. RPB has mapped the latter using this HD photograph and this factor can now be included in the GSA calculations.</p>
9	<b>Ecology</b>
	JL highlighted the work he has been doing over the course of at least the past 12 months in ascertaining the flora and fauna of this village. ‘Bat Central’ seemed to focus on Kingsley Road/Whittlebury Road junction. JL has many audio files of mostly Pipistrel bats but has also used the Trail Camera to capture both wild (and occasional-

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	ly, domestic) wildlife. It would <b>be helpful to be able to use CC's TV</b> to portray this at the Exhibition. JL has records of various deer, orchids ..... we need to be able to get the villagers excited about the variety on our doorsteps and have an "Ecology Corner" section in the Exhibition.
10	<b>Landscape</b>
	<p>RPB had completed a complete walk around the village with Geoff Boddy (Landscape Architect). GB has been carrying out work on the relationship between Stowe Master Plan and Silverstone village as well as over-arching visual appraisals for the NP.</p> <p>JL and RPB had photographed the original Whittlewood Map (1604) and the Silverstone 1824 Enclosure map at Northamptonshire Records Office. Due to the impressive size of these maps JL and RPB had to take photo mosaics. <b>JR is to take these and "stitch" them together in Photoshop.</b></p> <p>RPB also presented a 1790s map of Whittlewood. Of particular interest is the "intersection" of the Stowe Master Plan and the Whittlewood map which "pivot" at Silverstone village.</p> <p><b>RPB to compare these with maps of 1790 and modern day. GB to pull together conclusions and advice.</b></p>
11	<b>Meeting with Ellie Gingell</b>
	<p>CT and RPB had met with EG who had provided comprehensive and most encouraging feedback on our plans to date. We were saddened to hear that she would be leaving SNC in late January to return to commercial work but had agreed to 'keep in touch'. Both RPB and CT had written to her expressing their appreciation of the support she had given us to date.</p>
12	<b>Landowners and Land Registry</b>
	<p>RPB had commenced initial, very informal discussions with local landowners and it was planned to continue this work over the next few months up to and including the Exhibition. General principles (only) had been discussed and a positive response to future dialogue was noted. RPB would need to extend this process to the Parish Council as our sponsors. Somewhat more formal sessions would be convened with PC members in attendance and notes taken (as deemed appropriate).</p>
13	<p><b>Clive Girling</b></p> <p>CG (our volunteer Project Manager) is researching what happens when the NP goes forward for Examination. At this point there are usually objections from strategic landowners and the Examiner needs to put together a response. It may be in our local interest to produce a NPDO. To date, CG has found no evidence of a rural NP using this current planning legislation.</p>
14	<b>Site Visit to Blakesley and Syresham Village Halls</b>
	MW agreed to investigate this aspect.

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15	<p><b>Land Use Budget and associated schedules</b></p> <p>RPB had completed an inventory and detailed measurements of all fields in and around the village. Also, a complete "Land use Budget" for all conceivable future development options. Ownership of some of these was in question and <b>JL agreed to research</b> through the Land Registry and local connections. <b>RPB to mark up map and pass to JL.</b></p> <p>RPB took the group through his draft calculations, projections and options for a 50 year Strategic Plan for safeguarding a sustainable future for the village (which would be used as a basis for the Exhibition).</p>
16	<b>AOB</b>
	<p>RPB/MW to make contact again with BE re the model and to progress this.  MW thought we could use the Brackley Morris Men as a 'draw' to the exhibition.  A final questionnaire would be needed for the Exhibition.</p>
16	<b>Future Meetings</b>
	<p>RPB would need to research dates due to impending activities. <b>He will confirm dates.</b>  There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.15</p>
	<b>FUTURE MEETING DATES TBD.</b>

Formal Meetings	