

HART'S GARDEN COMMUNITY THEMATIC GROUP - HOMES & HERITAGE MINUTES



DATE OF MEETING: 29 JANUARY 2021

I. ATTENDEES AND ABSENCES

In attendance:

Officers:

Patricia Hughes (PH)
Christine Tetlow (CT)
Jen Kennedy (JK)
Noel Armstrong (NA)

Apologies:

Cllr Graham Cockarill (Cabinet Member for Place)

Stakeholders:

Rev Angie Smith (AS), The Benefice of Hartley Wintney with Elvetham, Winchfield and Dogmersfield
Cllr Louise Hodgetts (LH), Winchfield Parish Council
Stuart York (SY), Hampshire Constabulary
Cllr Diana Harvey (DH), Hartley Wintney Parish Council
Edward Winter, Historic England
Mike Shepherd (MS), VIVID Homes
Beverley Mogford (BV), Conservation Officer, Hart District Council
Nicola Harpham (NH), Strategy & Development Manager, Hart District Council
David Turver (DT), We Heart Hart
Mags Wylie (MW), Hampshire Homes Hub
Derek Begent (DB), Odiham Society
Lucy Orchard-Lisle (LOL), Assistant Conservation Officer, Hart District Council
Maxine Lewis (ML), Planning Enforcement Team Leader, Hart District Council
Cllr John Orchard (JO), Hook Parish Council

2. WELCOME

In his absence, a short video from Cllr Graham Cockarill was played to welcome the group.

3. SHORT RECAP ON THE GARDEN COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY

The Officers provided an overview of MHCLG Garden Community program and the opportunity to investigate a new garden community in Shapley Heath:

- **Overview of Timeline** - The Officers provided an overview of the project phases, estimated dates, timeframes, and tasks.

- **The Prospectus** - The Officers provided an overview of the documents in the prospectus and what each of those key outputs will include.
- **Stakeholder Forum Involvement** - The Officers provided an overview of each Thematic Group and what documents within the prospectus they should give focus to. It was highlighted however, that groups will touch on most of the prospectus documents at some point.
- **Baseline Surveys and Strategy Reports** - The Officers advised that baseline surveys and strategy reports will provide the evidence to the prospectus.
- **The Art of the Possible** - ‘What makes an exemplar community for you?’. As this opportunity is not in the planning system, there is freedom to look at things holistically and comprehensively in a way not often seen when exploring new settlements.

4. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Officers provided an overview of the Core Functions, Roles and Responsibilities and Chairship of the Thematic Group.

5. CHAIR ELECTION

The Officers invited stakeholders to put themselves forward for the Chairship.

Mike Shepherd (VIVID Homes) had confirmed interest ahead of the meeting. Diana Harvey (Hartley Wintney Parish Council) and Louise Hodgetts (Winchfield Parish Council) nominated themselves to also stand for Chair.

The three nominees expressed why they wanted to be Chair and what they could bring to the role.

An anonymous electronic poll was shared with the group for voting. Anyone who was unable to view the poll, emailed their vote to the Garden Community Project Team.

Mike Shepherd was elected to chair the Homes & Heritage thematic group.

6. STEERING GROUP NOMINATION AND ELECTION

The Officers invited stakeholders to put themselves forward for the Steering Group.

Mike Shepherd (VIVID Homes), Beverley Mogford (Hart District Council) and Louise Hodgetts (Winchfield Parish Council) nominated themselves to sit on the Steering Group.

The three nominees expressed why they wanted to sit on the Steering Group and what they could bring to the role.

An anonymous electronic poll was shared with the group for voting. Anyone who was unable to view the poll, emailed their vote to the Garden Community Project Team.

The vote resulted with Beverley Mogford and Mike Shepherd being elected to represent the Homes & Heritage thematic group on the Steering Group.

7. VISION & OBJECTIVES – COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Officers introduced the Community Survey, which will provide an evidence base to inform the vision and objectives for the project. The MHCLG Garden Community Principles were outlined, and clarity was provided as to those principles that this thematic group would focus on for the purposes of the Community Survey questions.

Several draft questions regarding ‘Great Homes’ and ‘Strong Local Vision and Engagement’ were tabled to the group for initial thoughts.

- DT asked what we were going to do with the results and questioned the logic of picking a top three in the list of bullet points
- JF also questioned the logic of a top three
- PH suggested that a ranking order might be a better suggestion
- LH was concerned that the bullet points didn't differentiate this from any other housing estate. It didn't suggest exemplar
- EW suggested using images in the survey to help people visualise the potential
- DT suggested looking at Create Streets. He raised asking about creating a village square, or asking about the distance to a local pub
- PH suggested using clearer language

The Officers agreed to set up a document library and collaboration channel (like Teams, for example) to allow knowledge sharing.

Members of the group were given **seven days** to provide feedback to the Garden Community Project Team.

8. NEXT STEPS AND CLOSING

The Officers advised that at the next meeting the group will look at Baseline Studies and the reports that we will look to commission. Details of the next meeting will be provided shortly.