

STILLINGFLEET PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Expanded Planning Committee at 7.00pm on 1st September 2022

Present: Cllrs Cook (V-C), Collingridge, Daniel, Kemp, Powell, Sears, Strickland. Apologies from Cllr Brooks and Foy. The Clerk was present

Purpose: The purpose of the meeting was to progress the Parish Council response to the recently circulated Selby District Council's pre -submission Publication Local Plan (PLP), and to report on the actions being taken by the joint village Action Group which has been set up by the villages affected by the PLP.

Process: In accordance with its Terms of Reference, this Committee will make recommendations to the full Council when its deliberations have been completed.

Background: The chairman thanked the Clerk for circulating the agenda.

Discussion:

2206 FORMATION OF AN ACTION GROUP

Those present who had attended the Escrick PC public meeting on 18th Aug reported that a Halt Heronby Action Group (HHAG) had been proposed and accepted. The following week the HHAG Action Group met on Tuesday 23rd August. Subgroups had been created to address various aspects arising from the consultation.

2207 FUNDING NEED

It was noted that Escrick PC had agreed to provide initial funding of £500 to meet incidental costs of the HHAG. The meeting proposed seconded and approved that the Stillingfleet PC should indicate its intention to subscribing 30% of the PC funding that comes forward in support of the HHAG during the campaign. At this stage, without any indication of possible other PC subscribers or the application/uses of this funding it is limited to an absolute cap of £300. It was agreed that if worthwhile expenditure proposals come forward as the campaign proceeds the matter of greater funding would be considered.

2208 OTHER LOCAL COUNCIL PARTICIPATION

Because of Cllr Brooks' absence a full picture of any likely support from adjoining Parish Councils for the HHAG was not presented. It is understood that only Deighton has said it will refrain because it lies within the York City Council. No firm involvement has been shown yet by Riccall, Naburn, Cawood or Kelfield

2209 NEED FOR A POLL OF RESIDENTS

Cllr Daniel had postponed his proposed door to door poll of Stillingfleet residents over the previous weekend. The meeting discussed whether such a poll should be done in the next few days. After debate it was agreed that at the last consultation in March 2021 the strength of feeling against the new town near Escrick was sufficiently strong for the meeting to conclude that no extra poll was necessary. The SPC should fight against the new town vigorously on the residents' behalf.

2210 PREPARATION OF SPC RESPONSE

The largest part of the meeting was spent on this agenda item, with those who have attended HHAG meetings reporting the wide range of issues to address. Members of the HHAG have helped considerably in suggesting different topics and aspects which could be used to undermine the PLP. Cllr Sears made two important points; first that any response would be considerably helped if we could find professional help and secondly that the PLP responses must primarily address **a)** legal compliance **b)** the PLP must be sound and **c)** Selby has a duty to co-operate. It was noted that almost any question could be raised and described as a question of soundness.

2211 **NEXT STEPS**

Cllrs Sears and Powell will assemble and make a Freedom of Information request asap for all important relevant documents for use by SPC and to be shared with HHAG if required.

All SPC Cllrs are to consider what questions they wish to put to Caroline Skelly when she makes a presentation on behalf of SDC at 7.00pm on Monday 12th September (note the SPC will gather half an hour earlier at 6.30pm to confer). These are to be emailed asap to Cllr Cook to ensure no duplication.

The Clerk was asked to request an agenda and any slides which Ms Skelly proposes to use during her presentation.

The Council will meet half an hour before Ms Skelly arrives on 12 Sept to co-ordinate their approach to the Q&A session.

Cllr Powell will talk to a contact in DEFRA.

Cllr Sears will continue to liaise with Mr Makin's office, with the intention of obtaining professional help and guidance from his advisers.

It is hoped that SPC Cllrs will continue to contribute help and advice to HHAP activities and to encourage Stillingfleet residents to write individually to SDC.

Numbers of objections really do matter. There should be template letters available from HHAG in the coming days which can be passed to residents.

Cllr Strickland will make contact with York and Cawood archaeological societies to confirm the possible presence of a Roman Mansion on the Escrick site.

The meeting was declared closed at 8.45pm

Signed as a true record

Chairman