Civic Campus Regeneration Working Group

Minutes

05 January 2021 - 11:00

Virtual Teams Call

Attendees

Cllr Richard Quarterman

Cllr Anne Crampton

Cllr Chris Dorn

Cllr Wendy Makepeace-Browne

Cllr David Neighbour

Cllr James Radley (joined at 12noon)

Patricia Hughes

Mark Jaggard

Emma Foy (joined 11.30am)

Glyn Lloyd

Celia Wood (notes)

Cllr Bob Schofield Fleet Town Council

Phil Bowden HCC Chris Jelliffe HCC

Olivia Paine HLM Architects
Simon Hope Montagu Evans
David Milner Create Streets
Nicholas Boys-Smith Create Streets

Apologies: Samantha Whiting (HCC)

1	Welcome from the Chairman	RQ
	The Chair opened the meeting and wished the WG a Happy New Year – reminding the group that the latest restrictions will be a challenge, but we hope to continue the work of this group as best as possible.	
2	WG open discussion on updated Create Streets advice document	GL/DM
	The Group focused on the updated public engagement document circulated to the Group by Create Streets. The group were reminded that at the last meeting the level of detail of questions was discussed deciding on a lighter touch rather than in depth detail.	

A progress update to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be delivered on 19 January: the WG discussed the potential direction for that report and were updated following the previous WG meeting:

DM (Create Streets) - in response to the previous WG meeting, the following has been changed/added:

- replaced the 'dislike' option with 'like' and 'needs improvement'
- added text re 'wider dreams for Fleet town centre'
- added more places on the list of what is important to give an updated list of 3 choices to go down.

The WG discussed the suggested questions on the Create Streets Community Engagement document:

- The need to decide what is expected from the survey and to build the key questions that will provide answers to what is important and why. More work to be done on that.
- Sought clarification on the process of building the detail in the questions.

DM advised the WG this is a 2-stage process:

- 1 A listening exercise asking a small amount of questions to engage the highest amount of people that will help the design teams to understand what places and uses are important to the area to be developed this in turn helps the design team to think about structure and design and form of the area.
- 2 The information gathered is analysed (Create Streets can do this). The data can then inform an initial design that can be referred to for options to be offered to the Public for opinion. As the list of questions develops to a potential agreement, this document will be subject to approval of the WG Members.

The WG also discussed the potential for the project to evolve in terms of scope. PH advised that any expansion of the scope of the project and reach of the WG would require approval from Cabinet under the Terms of Reference for the Working Group.

Create Streets advised the WG to engage earlier rather than later. Set the brief, think of it as engagement rather than consultation.

	 The WG wish to start a conversation on what is important to the public in terms of place and uses on the site, rather than focusing on what is already there. The Group also discussed: the need to be clear from the start where it has control and act as a catalyst to keep within the scope. Methods of getting the survey circulated and how that will work during the current and ongoing lockdown. Suggestions were for the voluntary and Parish groups plus the local business community to be involved. Timings will have to be considered. Members will review and agree the questions, format of engagement and the various channels for engaging with the Community. 	
3	WG to discuss and decide on one of the following to inform O&S paper:	ALL
	The WG discussed the preferred routes for the update to go to the O&S Committee: The options are: a. WG continue work and prior to engaging with the public. b. WG work continues but focuses on commencing public engagement as soon as possible (date TBC). c. WG refer public engagement decision for O&S comment and Cabinet decision. The elected members at the meeting voted a majority for (b). Cllr Radley was not present at that time to voice his opinion, but this will be shared with elected members of the WG when received.	GL
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	None. Meeting ended at 11.40am	
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