

Whiteley Town Council

Strategic Development and Policy Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held in the Council Rooms at Meadowside Leisure Centre, Whiteley on Wednesday 17th June 2015 at 8.34pm.

Committee members present: Mike Evans (Chairman), David Jenkins (Vice-Chairman), Colin Bielckus, Malcolm Butler, Pat Thew.

Town Councillor Brenda Hatch, four members of the public, Town Clerk Nicki Oliver.

1. **To receive apologies for absence** None.
2. **To receive declarations of interest regarding agenda items** None.
3. **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public** Not required.
4. **Meeting resumed to consider the following agenda items:**

4.1 To review issues concerning proposals for North Whiteley and reports to be made to the North Whiteley Development Forum **Revised phasing plans have been published online. Meeting with the Consortium and neighbouring parishes arranged for 6.30pm Tuesday 23rd June to discuss the phasing changes. The early opening of Bluebell Way remains a priority.**

4.2 To review issues concerning Whiteley Village redevelopment **The cinema is progressing with opening expected October/November.**

4.3 To review Broadband availability issues for Whiteley residents **Ongoing. Fast broadband needs to be a priority for North Whiteley.**

4.4 To receive update on campaign to secure the opening of Yew Tree Drive to all car users **Fareham BC has made the decision to keep the road open. Some further improvements to the traffic calming are expected.**

4.5 Update on agreed highways priorities for Whiteley / North Whiteley (Chairman) **See 4.1.**

4.6 To progress an emergency plan for Whiteley – to review priorities in view of agenda item 4.5 above **Further details on the North Whiteley proposals required.**

4.7 To progress the preparation of a town plan – (Clerk) **Ongoing.**

4.8 To update the Council and councillors' training and development plans **Most Councillor plans have been returned. Chairman to review.**

4.9 To review and update policies:

4.9.1 Council's Corporate Strategy **Refer to next meeting.**

4.9.2 Transparency Code for public authorities – to consider requirements **At present medium sized councils are not required to meet the Code requirements. The Town Council meets many of the requirements as a matter of good practice.**

4.9.3 To comply with new legislation allowing meetings to be recorded: proposal to delete SO 3k Photographing, recording, broadcasting or transmitting the proceedings of a meeting by any means is not permitted without the Council's prior written consent. To discuss whether formal recording protocol required. **Standing order to be deleted. It was agreed a formal recording policy was not required at the present time.**

5. **To identify any unmanaged risks within this committee's remit** None.
6. **Review effectiveness of communication, development of links with other community organisations and support for local democracy through making information more widely available** Committee news has been included in the latest edition of the Whiteley Voice.
7. **Recent correspondence / reports from meetings of relevance to this committee** Included above where relevant.

Meeting closed 9.02pm