

## Minutes of Steering Group Meeting Thursday 14th September 2023 10am

**Present:** Becky Hopkinson(Plan-et) on Zoom. Norman Holmes, Hellen Orme, Diane Holden, Richard Chatterton, Sue Zatland, Alistair Cumming at GXCA

**Apologies:** Jaspal Chhokar, Nick Moss, Jane Hudson, Heather O'Regan

NOTES	ACTION
<ol> <li>REG 14 CONSULTATION. Consultation closed on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023 and responses had been collated and distributed to SG members. There was:         <ul> <li>a) Excel spreadsheet listing all responses from members of the public and organisations</li> <li>b) The organisations submitting multiple page documents were also emailed individually to SG members.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	
The spreadsheet had the name, the plan reference, the type of response and the full response from approx. 30 individuals/organisations. Two columns will be added for (i)our response and (ii)our action. This will be done by Becky. For example, Thames Water asked for a couple of sentences on infrastructure, water usage and sewage to be added. This could be recorded as 'noted' in the first new column and 'added to plan' in the 'Our Action' column.  2. We do not reply to responders individually but our response and action is recorded on the excel spreadsheet. This becomes part of our submission statement and will be published on our website so residents can see what we did as a result of their comments.  3. Becky will work through the documents, checking things with us and this will take most of	Becky
October.  4. We will then have a meeting to discuss/approve/amend the changes.  5. We are looking at November for REG 16. Becky to make Rachel Riach at Bucks Council aware.	Becky
Meanwhile, the response from Historic England very usefully gave us a link to information on Assets of Community Value.  Assets of Community Value (ACVs) can only be nominated if they are of interest socially (such as for sport, culture or recreational uses) or increase the wellbeing of the community now and into the future. A community group (such as a society, parish council, neighbourhood forum, not for profit organisation or a group of at least 21 individuals) that is locally connected to the area can nominate an asset to the local authority. Listed Assets of Community Value stay on your local authority's list for up to five years. During this period, if the owner of the listed asset decides to sell they must inform the local authority of their intention to do so. The community then have up to six weeks to express an interest in becoming potential bidders to buy the asset.  Once an expression of interest has been received, a further four and a half month pause in the sale process is triggered. This gives potential bidders a total of six months to raise the funds required to purchase the asset. At the end of the period, the owner may sell it to whoever and at whatever price they choose.	
It was felt we should try to protect the Memorial Centre by this method. We need to ask the Town Council to nominate the Memorial Centre as an ACV to the Buckinghamshire Council. We should do this urgently by asking them to put it on the agenda of the next full council meeting on Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Norman
September.	

SG to keep an eye on the car park situation and advise Becky in order to respond accurately to comments.	
8. <b>NEXT MEETING</b> : tbc when Becky is ready for us to go over the amended plan.	