

BOGNOR REGIS TOWN COUNCIL

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Dear Sir/Madam,

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

I hereby give you Notice that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee of the Bognor Regis Town Council will be held in the Council Chamber, The Town Hall, Bognor Regis at <u>5.30pm on MONDAY 2nd JULY 2018</u> prior to the Council Meeting.

All Members of the Policy and Resources Committee are <u>HEREBY SUMMONED</u> to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted as set out hereunder. An opportunity will be afforded to <u>Members of the Public</u> to put <u>Questions</u> to the Committee during an adjournment shortly after the meeting has commenced. (NOTE: Members of the public will be asked to provide their names and addresses and are encouraged to put questions in advance in writing. Priority will be given to written questions. Questions should be restricted to the functions of this Committee.)

Refreshments will be available and any donations to the Mayor's Charity will be gratefully received.

PLEASE NOTE START TIME

TOWN CLERK

TOWN MAYOR

DATED THIS 25th DAY OF JUNE 2018

AGENDA AND BUSINESS

- 1. Welcome by Chairman and Apologies for Absence
- Declarations of Interest
 Members and Officers are invited to make any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and/or Ordinary interests that they may have in relation to items on this agenda and are reminded that they should re

declare their interest before consideration of the item or as soon as the interest becomes apparent.

Members and Officers should make their declaration by stating:

- a) the item they have the interest in
- b) whether it is a Disclosable Pecuniary or Ordinary interest
- c) the nature of the interest
- d) if it is an Ordinary interest whether they intend to leave the room for the discussion and vote
- e) if it is a Disclosable Pecuniary interest, and therefore must leave the room for the discussion and vote, whether they will be exercising their right to speak on this matter under Public Question Time
- 3. ADJOURNMENT for public question time
- 4. To receive the notes from the Regeneration Consultation Working Group Meetings held on the 8th and 18th June 2018 and furthermore, discuss and determine the Working Group's recommendation as follows:
 - "That the Town Council approach Arun District Council to see if there is any interest in them meeting with developers, who have a realistic prospect of carrying schemes through, and seeing what common ground can be found, with the Town Council pleased to help in any way it can.

Furthermore, if the former proposal results in any regeneration action, that suitable public consultation be undertaken."

THERE IS A LIFT AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN HALL FOR ACCESS TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER IF REQUIRED

Bognor Regis Town Council Regeneration Consultation Working Group Meeting Held on Friday 8th June 2018

Present:

Cllrs: Jan Cosgrove, Sandra Daniells, Damien Enticott and Steve Goodheart

Staff: Mrs Glenna Frost (Town Clerk) and Mrs Sarah Norman (Deputy Clerk)

Meeting opened at 12pm

1. Welcome and apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Matt Stanley and Jeanette Warr.

2. Discussion

It was noted that, having originally been discussed at the Annual Town Council Meeting on 14th May 2018, this Working Group had been formed at the request of the Policy and Resources Committee at the Extraordinary Meeting held 22nd May 2018, with the purpose being the facilitation of the Committee's following resolution:

"This Council:

- a) considers that there has been inadequate consultation on Bognor Regis regeneration and that the public should have opportunities to view proposals by suitable means and
- b) decides that the Council will fully explore all cost-effective means of achieving this and
- c) proposes that a Working Group of the Council should be formed to make recommendation to the Policy and Resources Committee, within one month, as to how to implement any decision taken regarding (b)"

Those present commented that there was a need to bring clarity on regeneration consultation and debated the remit of the Group, with concern expressed that it could end up focussing solely on the Linear Park. The various methods of getting information out to the public were discussed including, online, press and exhibition.

A discussion took place about what was to be achieved and it was agreed that the first step would be to identify the various submissions to the ADC original consultation on potential regeneration plans for the Town.

It was therefore **AGREED** that a press release be issued asking for all those who had submitted plans to ADC whether they would be willing to provide copies again to BRTC. The press release would need to be clear that the decision will ultimately lay with ADC but the Town Council is keen to ensure full consultation for the local residents.

Members asked that the press release be circulated asap for Member approval prior to publication in local press, website, Facebook etc. A two-week deadline of 29th June should be publicised after which time the Group will meet again to review the responses and agree the next step.

Bognor Regis Town Council Regeneration Consultation Working Group Meeting Held on Monday 18th June 2018

Present:

Cllrs: Jan Cosgrove and Sandra Daniells

Staff: Mrs Glenna Frost (Town Clerk) and Mrs Sarah Norman (Deputy Clerk)

Meeting opened at 12pm

1. Welcome and apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Damien Enticott, Matt Stanley and Jeanette Warr.

2. Discussion

The notes of the previous meeting were circulated and accepted.

It was noted that this meeting had been called without the release of the press statement as agreed at the previous meeting, as subsequent to that meeting it had been identified that all plans and submissions made to ADC back in 2015 were, in fact, available on the ADC website and therefore the sole purpose of the press release, to obtain copies of the submissions, was rendered unnecessary.

It was stated that as the plans/submissions are all available, the next issue is to ask what do the public think and furthermore, are any/all of the submissions able to be progressed?

Discussion took place around the fact that the original Motion presented to this Working Group for consideration referred to all Bognor Regis regeneration and not just the Hothamton Site/Linear Park.

It was noted that a public meeting, initiated by the Liberal Democrat group, is to be held on 21st June at the Jeneses Centre at which the Linear Park proposal will be discussed and public reaction to the proposals gained.

Members discussed the pros and cons of challenging ADC's plans versus working in partnership with them. It was suggested that as ADC's vision for the wider regeneration of the Town was still vague with nothing set in stone, that the major players in the regeneration submissions could talk and work with ADC to come up with a future design.

Following discussion, it was **AGREED** to make the following **RECOMMENDATION** to an Extraordinary Policy and Resources Committee Meeting, to be held prior to the Council meeting on 2nd July, and that the feedback from the Public Meeting on 21st June be also considered at that time when agreeing further action:-

"That the Town Council approach Arun District Council to see if there is any interest in them meeting with developers, who have a realistic prospect of carrying schemes through, and seeing what common ground can be found, with the Town Council pleased to help in any way it can.

Furthermore, if the former proposal results in any regeneration action, that suitable public consultation be undertaken."