

# Shaping Stortford Steering group

Wed 24 January 2018 @ 15:30  
Charringtons House Rooms A & B

## MINUTES

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr Gary Jones	-	EHC Deputy Leader & Chair
	Helen Standen	-	EHC Director
	James Parker	-	BSTC Chief Executive
	Anjeza Saliaj	-	Project Manager
	Cllr Colin Woodward	-	Town/District/County Councillor
	John Rhodes	-	President - BS Civic Federation
	Roger Flowerday	-	HCC Transport
	Nick Hyde	-	BS Chamber of Commerce
<b>Also Present :</b>	Jo Vottariello	-	PA (Minutes)
	Simon Willison	-	AECOM
	Matthew Serginson	-	SOLUM
<b>Apologies :</b>	Adam Wood	-	LEP
	Jan Hayes-Griffin	-	HCC
	Kevin Steptoe	-	EHC Head of Planning

### 1. Solum Presentation on Goods Yard

- 1.1 Matthew introduced the presentation and explained that the Town Centre Planning Framework, written by Allies & Morrison, along with other major documents produced for Bishops Stortford, was used to provide an amended masterplan along with regular meetings with EHD officers which was presented to EHDC as a planning application displayed and explained.
- 1.2 The space will be delivering car parking, residential units, office space, retail units, a care home, hotel space, dual use (health / office space) as well as a public square, cycle provision and a link road. Along with provisions along the riverside which Solum is meeting with the Canals & Rivers Trust next week.
- 1.3 Planning application to go to special DMC on 28 February at Birchwood School in Bishops Stortford.
- 1.4 Solum have commissioned two three dimensional models of their scheme and are planning to let EHDC have them before the DMC.
- 1.5 Key dates to be advised to Matthew in order for him to courier maps to destinations. **HS**
- 1.6 If planning application approved they would hope to start with the infrastructure in the Autumn. The build will take around 5 – 7 years.
- 1.7 Temporary car park is hoped to be opened on 19<sup>th</sup> February.

### 2. Transport Strategy Stakeholder Presentation (PART III – Draft Package Proforma) by AECOM

- 2.1 Simon took the group through what AECOM have done since the last meeting which involved an optioneering exercise, considering linkages and then categorised interventions to the growth and transport plan system.
- 2.2 The result is 85 interventions which have been grouped into 21 packages which Simon briefly explained and a document was circulated prior to the meeting with more detailed explanations. There are improved benefits when interventions are delivered as a package but there is flexibility to provide interventions as standalone items if required and feasible.
- 2.3 The group discussed various options within each package and had a particular interest in transport and the networks used to get in and out of Bishops Stortford and Stansted Airport considering its growth.
- 2.4 Members of Shaping Stortford to provide Bishop's Stortford area names to Simon through Annie to update the document for accuracy.
- 2.5 We need to decide what the next steps will be for the Transport Strategy.
- 2.6 Simon advised possible funding routes have been identified and matched to packages based on funding criteria.
- 2.7 Next steps will be to complete the strategy and Simon will take on board comments received today and Annie can feed back any further comments to be in with Annie by 31st January. Once complete it will go for final sign off by this group .

**ALL**

### **3. Minutes of previous meeting - 13 December 2017**

- 3.1 The minutes were agreed from the last meeting and can now be published. No outstanding actions or matters arising.

### **4. Sustrans Walking & Cycling Strategy**

- 4.1 James advised this is a final report and shows individual interventions but has not yet been formally adopted, which is hoped to be done by Council in March.

### **5. Minutes of ORL Delivery Board 9 January 2018**

- 5.1 Refers to planning application being submitted at the end of January but this is now expected in February.
- 5.2 Car parking numbers have now been identified.
- 5.3 Gary confirmed that ORL minutes are not circulated in the public domain so are to be kept confidential please.

### **6. AOB and items for future agenda**

- 6.1 Trevor Brennan invited to attend next meeting to provide an update on Station Road Bridge and any other transport related items.

- 6.2 We will have final document from AECOM so agenda item to be to agree the complete document and decide where it goes to next.
- 6.3 John and Gary commented on the need to address parking alongside the transport strategy.
- 6.4 Helen and Gary have discussed the option of reaching out to a wider group of people, residents, and businesses, those affected by transport strategy to help try and influence some of the behaviours. If anyone has any particular ideas please email Helen and she will bring ideas to the next meeting.

**HS**

**Next Meeting:** 28 February 2018 @ 15:30 held at Charringtons House

AGREED