



# ***Teversal, Stanton Hill and Skegby Neighbourhood Forum***

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**Minutes of the Forum meeting & AGM held on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022,  
held online via Zoom**

## **1. Attendance.**

Andrew Jenkins (Chair), Geoff Snare (Secretary), Terry Whitehead (Treasurer), Jan Jenkins, Jane Cooper, Lis Reid, Richard Goad, Lynn Henstock, Mike Vardy, Chris Goodall, Julian Mclean

Apologies: Doug Edwards

Andrew Jenkins started the meeting, welcoming everyone.

## **2. Minutes.**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as an accurate record.  
There were no matters arising.

## **3. Finances.**

There is a total of £798.66 in the Forum bank account. There were only three items of expenditure in the prior 12 months, one of which was £172 for Public Liability Insurance which was covered by a donation from Cllr Helen-Ann Smith from her community grant fund. Cllr Smith donated an additional amount of £180 in November of last year. The Forum would like to formally thank Cllr Smith for her generous financial support of the Forum.

A copy of the Treasurer's report can be found [here](#).

It was agreed that the Treasurer's report be accepted as a true reflection of the Forum's finances.

## **4. Planning and Environment.**

Richard Goad outlined the main planning applications that were active at the moment:

- a. Pleasley Road, adjacent to Station Farm – awaiting full planning application
- b. Pear Tree Lane – on hold, not yet gone to planning committee
- c. Wild Hill – permission had been granted for an initial 3 houses, permission has now been requested for an additional 9 – a full written objection has been submitted

In addition, a meeting had taken place between members of the Forum management committee and Persimmon Homes regarding a potential development of 115 houses off Fackley Road, adjacent to Crompton Street; no application has yet been submitted, but Persimmon were very confident of getting approval (it is a designated development site in the Ashfield Draft Local Plan); despite some warm words from Persimmon, their underlying message was that we would best to work with them, otherwise they would just steamroller their application through the system.

A meeting had been held between members of the Forum management committee and district councillors Jason Zadrozny and Helen-Ann Smith, regarding the sites designated for development in the Ashfield Draft Local Plan; the councillor advised that the Draft Local Plan was currently suspended awaiting clarification from the Government regarding development on green field sites and the new housing numbers allocated to each area.

Julian McLean advised the meeting that trees and hedgerows surrounding a site on Silverhill Lane had been cleared, likely in preparation for a planning application.

## 5. **Friends of Stanton Hill**

Jane Cooper reported that Remembrance Day poppies had been put up around the village and yarn bombing had continued, but there were insufficient volunteers for further activities.

## 6. **Heritage**

Lynn Henstock reported the following:

- a. There are no further updates relating to the Heritage Archaeological trial trenching which was carried out on site at Beck Lane as per Condition 9 of planning permission V/2016/0569. There was evidence of 3 barrows though the remains were badly truncated by ploughing.
- b. Descriptions for each of the Locally Listed Assets have been requested from ADC, as they are not currently accessible on either their website or the interactive maps. This would help when the public are assessing planning applications on locally listed sites as currently the criteria which had been met for the listing is not shown. This reason given for this was mainly due some sites being 'nominated' and as such ADC do not have a lot of information on some of them as they still need to be assessed. They agreed that this information would be helpful and would include what they already have and have requested that their GIS team add this information to the maps asap.
- c. Helen-Ann Smith has asked for ideas of suitable uses for the Pinfold areas in both Skegby and Kirkby. The Skegby site is a Grade 2 listed asset. It is mid- 18th century, measuring about 5m x 5m, which is reached via a locked iron gate and steps off Mansfield Road Skegby, close to the junction with Buttery Lane. The frontage is a stone wall, approx. 8 feet high with a plaque denoting its former use as a pinfold. (\*A pinfold is an enclosed area where stray animals were taken for their safety.) Whilst it could be a pleasant, sheltered seating area with lovely views due to its elevation my concern is that it could attract anti-social activities because it is enclosed.
- d. We have had no further news on the two footpaths at Skegby which are being reviewed for adoption by Angus Trundle, the NCC RoW office.  
Application 1186. Stoneyford Road to Skegby Hall Gardens.  
Application 1187. Stoneyford Road to Sutton in Ashfield Footpath No. 49  
The heritage working group have been pursuing the matter for more than 3 years now. We are concerned that, as the Gleesons appeal on the Gilcroft Street/Vere Avenue site has been successful, groundwork may be starting soon.  
Jane has emailed Angus for an update as we need to ensure that the footpaths are factored in - and Jane will escalate if we have not heard anything by next week.

## 7. Climate Change

Andrew Jenkins reported the following:

- a. The Climate Change working group now numbered 4 members
- b. The group is working with Notts Friends of the Earth on persuading the County Council on divestment of their fossil fuel investments
- c. The group is working with the Justice and Peace Network, as well as local churches, on persuading the church hierarchy on divestment of their fossil fuel investments
- d. Bulb planting on The Wharf area had been very successful – thanks to all those who took part; as a result the group now has a good relationship with Jason Metcalfe - the relevant ADC officer
- e. Andrew helped with planting trees on Healdswood, alongside local school children and the next tree planting project should be announced shortly
- f. The group is working on a sustainability initiative with Stanton Hill Co-op, focussed on soft plastic waste and food waste
- g. A half day cookery course run by Inspire is due to be held at Healdswood Community Centre, focussing on low cost, high nourishment, easy recipes for those struggling with their food bills and who lack the necessary skills to cook their own meals
- h. The group is still waiting (after more than 3 months) to hear back from ADC regarding the Council's climate change strategy and action plan – this has been raised with the council leader
- i. The group provided significant content on Climate Change to the Forum's official response to the ADC Draft Local Plan
- j. The group believe there is an opportunity to create a cycle route connecting the Teversal Trails to Brierley Park, and a proposal is due to be submitted to ADC shortly

## 8. HS2

Lis Reid reported the following:

- a. As most will be aware, the Government has shelved the eastern route of the HS2b. This obviously includes the section affecting the TSS Forum area LA10 - Tibshelf and Shuttlewood.  
Whilst this is good and welcome news it is noted that as the decision is not full and final things could change in the future. The lack of certainty will have a negative impact on some properties close to the route which could continue to be affected by 'blight'.
- b. The Government has committed to the electrification of the Midland Mainline route which is welcome, in addition there are some limited local rail initiatives proposed.
- c. As chair of the HS2 sub-group Lis suggested that the group be disbanded, but a watching brief kept on developments.

## 9. Public Transport

Mike Vardy reported that there was no current activity due to the pandemic and that bus passenger numbers remained extremely low – the group would restart once all Covid restrictions had been lifted

## 10. AGM topics

- a. Election of officers – there being no other nominations, the current officers were re-elected:  
Chairman – Andrew Jenkins  
Secretary – Geoff Snare  
Treasurer – Terry Whitehead
- b. Election of management committee members – there being no other nominations the current members were all re-elected:  
Mike Vardy, Richard Goad, Lynn Henstock, Lis Reid, Chris Goodall, Jane Cooper

## 11. Any Other Business

It was agreed that for the remainder of 2022, there would not be separate management committee meetings and we would continue to use Zoom for the next Forum meeting, but that we would do away with the Zoom pre-registration process.

## 12. Next Meeting.

The next Forum meeting will be held on Wednesday April 13th from 7pm, via Zoom

Attendees were thanked for their input to the meeting which closed at 7:55 pm.