



Discussion Paper on Agenda Item 6

A possible workable structure for the Forum going forward

Provided there is sufficient participation the Forum should initially form 4 sub-committees with the following briefs:

Planning and Environment

- ◆ To decide what developments the Forum should be consulted upon. Suggested - all applications to build on currently vacant land, all applications to intensify use eg. building additional dwellings on an existing plot, all applications for change of use, all applications for or connected with the exploitation of hydrocarbons, all applications that may affect heritage assets.
- ◆ To respond to ADC on behalf of the Forum.
- ◆ To represent the Forum in negotiations and discussions with developers to ensure that new developments adhere to Plan policies and oversee the spending of development contributions.

Stanton Hill Regeneration

To start the process of regeneration in Stanton Hill to include developing a regeneration strategy, sourcing funding, possibly creating a separate regeneration vehicle and working with other organisations to realise the objective.

Heritage

- ◆ To create and maintain a register of heritage assets and suggest additions to the register as appropriate.
- ◆ To monitor the condition of heritage assets and suggest interventions if required.
- ◆ To support and advise the Planning and Environment Sub-Committee on planning applications affecting heritage assets.

Hydrocarbon Exploitation

- ◆ To develop a strategy that will enable the Forum to oppose future proposals for the exploitation of hydrocarbons in the area.
- ◆ To reach out to other organisations and bodies to create a mutually supportive network with the aim of influencing local and national government decision making.

The Forum is recognised by Ashfield District Council as the representative body for our area. To be effective it needs the active participation of as many of those who live and work here as possible. Relevant skills are particularly useful but everyone can play a part so ask your friends and neighbours to come long to our meetings.