

LEE VALLEY REGIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

REGENERATION & PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES 22 FEBRUARY 2018

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Officers Present: Shaun Dawson - Chief Executive
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Part I

28 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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29 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

THAT the Minutes of the Regeneration & Planning Committee meeting held on 18 January 2018 be approved and signed.

30 PUBLIC SPEAKING

No requests from the public to speak or present petitions had been received for this meeting.

The Chairman agreed to consider Agenda Item 5 first.

31 BOROUGH OF BROXBOURNE REGULATION 19 LOCAL PLAN WHARF ROAD Paper RP/16/18

The report was presented by the Head of Planning & Strategic Partnerships who informed Members that Broxbourne Borough Council's inclusion of a Policy in the draft plan for Wharf Road as a site for Gypsies/Travellers was counter to the Authority's statutory remit, it might create operational and land management issues for the Authority, may incur costs for the Authority and that a self-managed site may be self-defeating by not addressing the issues of concern.

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Members were informed that the proposal could undermine the delivery of the Authority's proposals for this site in line with the draft PDF.

Members considered whether accepting Broxbourne Borough Council's offer to land swap specific plots within the wider site to consolidate them to create a single site would work and what the consequences would be if we continued with our objection. Members noted that many of the Gypsy/Traveller plots on Wharf Road were already legal, therefore objecting to the Local Plan would not change that position.

Members also noted that if Broxbourne's Local Plan does go ahead, they would still need to work with us in order to fulfil their ambitions for Wharf Road and we would have another opportunity to consider land swaps at that time.

On a vote with 2 abstentions from Paul Osborn and Gordon Nicholson, Members agreed to continue with an objection to Broxbourne Borough Council on its inclusion of part of Wharf Road as a Gypsy/Traveller site in its Local Plan.

- (1) the Authority re-affirms its objection to the inclusion of part of the Wharf Road area as a site for Gypsies and Travellers in the Regulation 19 draft Local Plan was approved.**

Valerie Metcalfe left the meeting.

32 CONSULTATION BY THE MAYOR OF LONDON ON THE
DRAFT LOCAL PLAN

Paper RP/15/18

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A Member expressed concern that in the letter the part about the 'Abercrombie vision' might be lost and asked that something was done to highlight it. Officers replied that they would reformat the letter to reflect this.

The Chairman suggested that it might be helpful if members of the London Plan team were invited to visit the Park with the Chairman and Chief Executive of the Authority to showcase the work that we have done and our plans for the future. He stressed that it was important that they understand that we are here and expect to be recognised.

A Member asked whether it was appropriate to ask for CIL payments in the letter. This suggestion was not pursued.

- (1) the contents of the draft letter included in Appendix A to Paper RP/15/18 was approved.**

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Chairman

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