

SKANSKA

MINDENHURST
COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP
MINUTES

Meeting date:	Tuesday 12 th September 2023
Time:	6pm – 7pm
Venue:	MS Teams
Project attendees:	<p>Leislaine Garcia, Development Director – Skanska (LG)</p> <p>Ed Martin, Senior Project Manager – Skanska (EM)</p> <p>Niki Dufour, Community Relations Manager – Skanska (ND)</p> <p>Michael Russell – Defence Infrastructure Organisation (MR)</p> <p>Nick Sutcliffe, Director – Cavendish (NS)</p> <p>Chelsea Reilly, Senior Account Manager – Cavendish (CR)</p>
Councillor attendees:	<p>Cllr David Whitcroft - Surrey Heath Borough Council Ward Councillor (DW)</p> <p>Cllr Paul Deach - Surrey Heath Borough Council Ward Councillor (PD)</p>
Community attendees:	<p>Howard Hyde – MFG&DS & Deepcut Neighbourhood Forum (HH)</p> <p>Keith Maynard – St Barbara’s Church, Deepcut (KM)</p> <p>Sarita Bishop – Principal Planning Officer, SHBC (SB)</p> <p>Andrew Stokes – Highways Officer, SCC (AS)</p>
Guest speakers:	<p>Shaleeza Hasham – CHD Living (SH)</p> <p>Liakat Hasham - CHD Living (LH)</p>
Apologies:	<p>Cllr Cliff Betton - Surrey Heath Borough Council Ward Councillor (CB)</p> <p>Robert Smith, Defence Infrastructure Organisation (RS)</p>

Agenda

1. Welcome
 2. Introduction to CHD Living
 3. Minutes - Tuesday 16th May 2023
 3. Project Update
 4. Planning Update
 6. Community Activities
 7. Questions / AOB
 8. Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 12th December 2023
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1. Welcome

- Nick Sutcliffe (NS) welcomed the group.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 16th May 2023

- No comments were made on the minutes of the previous meeting.

3. Introduction to CHD Living

- Shaleeza provided an introduction to CHD Living, an overview to their plans and project timeline – the team is aiming to submit their RMA before the end of November.

- **Question: DW** asked what the shared space means.

SH advised it means the residents will have access to shared hubs as communal space.

Shaleeza is happy for contact details to be passed along for follow up questions.

4. Project Update

- Leislane Garcia (LG) provided an update on the project. Works are continuing to progress across the key workstreams, including:
 - DIO roads upgrade
 - Blackdown ANGSt paths
 - St Barbara's Church
 - SANGs link

- Brunswick Road
 - Southern SANGs demolition
 - Woodland opposite DBR
 - Loop Road
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- Works on the southern SANG and Formal Park will commence next week, and enabling works for archaeology on Parcels C and D plus the Sergeants Mess will get underway. Trenches being dug on DIO roads for the next phase of services where substation will be installed. Residents are likely to see more activity in the coming months.
 - Bourne Homes is on site doing enabling works, it has full permission for conversion to 33 apartments.
 - Sale of care home completed in July.
 - Aquinna homes continue with construction activities and is likely to complete in the first quarter of next year.
 - Asda is in Pre app discussions with Surrey Heath Borough Council and a Reserved Matters Application (RMA) will be submitted, expected in the next month.
 - Sales of remaining residential parcels are under negotiation, subject to a number of due diligence and legal details which need to be agreed before they can be concluded.
 - Northern ANGSt and allotments RMA is likely to go to September committee.

5. Community Activity

- ND provided an update on recent communications and community activities which have been taking place across Mindenhurst, with a particular focus on the Deepcut Bridge Road works communications.

6. Questions / AOB

- **Question: PD** commented that communications have been excellent and formally thanked Skanska and Cavendish for the challenging situation with getting the school open. He raised a complaint from residents about noise from operatives ahead site working hours and requested Skanska reminds Bovis Homes of site opening times. Cllr Deach suggested somewhere for the team to meet and wait (away from properties) to avoid disrupting residents. **LG** will raise this with Bovis Homes.

- **PD** asked if residents would have access to the Basingstoke Canal when works begin on the Southern SANGs. **EM** confirmed access will remain open or partially open for as much of the work as possible, there might be day closures but no long-term block closures are planned. **ND** confirmed Skanska will provide advance warning of any closures.
- **DW** expressed thanks to Skanska for efforts in the Lakeside School opening and raised a number of queries:

1. When will the green swathe open?

LG advised the green swathe remains closed because the legal agreement is outstanding, once signed the permission will be issued and then it can be opened. All parties involved are agreed this is a priority and needs to be resolved.

2. Are we at the end of electricity works (Blu-3)?

EM explained the majority of roads are finished; the team is currently on Rectory Road (Farnborough) for the next three weeks. After this, works will focus on cable pulling and jointing – likely to take a couple of months but major road disruption is over. Localised, short-term closures will be needed to open jointing pits for jointing work.

3. Concerns around tree removal relating to archaeological works (around Minden House and Sergeants Mess)

LG confirmed a number of trees need to be removed for the archaeology; this is only happening on sites which are designated for housing. Skanska cannot delay this activity any longer, the team needs to discharge the Condition so the developer can apply for the Reserved Matters Application and build the new homes. The team is working in line with what was approved on the site, which was designated for housing. No tree has been removed which was not authorised as part of the archaeology strategy.

4. Any update on Bellow Road closure?

LG confirmed a contribution was made for the closure, she will follow up with Surrey County Council and provide an update.

- **HH** raised concerns about the trees being removed on the boundary of his property, he has safety concerns around the remaining trees. Skanska will continue liaising with HH about these concerns.
- **HH** asked for an update on the Phase 4 contribution for Deepcut Village Centre. **LG** advised this has been paid to SHBC.
 - **POST MEETING UPDATE:** The community hall contribution is scheduled for payment before the occupation of the 449th house. As of now, the land allocated for new

homes totals 411, so it is unlikely that this contribution will be due for another couple of years.

- **DW** suggested a briefing on upcoming planning applications would be helpful as there is some confusion amongst residents about the Sports Hub, Pavilion, Allotments and what is happening where and when.
- **DW** ask if contributions for Basingstoke Canal have been finalised? **LG** to confirm outside of the meeting.

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