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#### MINDENHURST

## COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP

#### MINUTES

Meeting date:	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
Time:	6pm – 7pm
Venue:	MS Teams
Project attendees:	Leisliane Garcia, Development Director – Skanska (LG) Charlotte Rowe – Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) Michael Russell – Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) Nick Sutcliffe, Director – BECG (NS) Chelsea Reilly, Senior Account Manager – BECG
Councillor attendees:	Cllr Cliff Betton - Surrey Heath Borough Council Ward Councillor (CB) Cllr David Whitcroft - Surrey Heath Borough Council Ward Councillor (DW) Cllr Paul Deach - Surrey Heath Borough Council Ward Councillor (PD)
Community attendees:	Howard Hyde – MFG&DS & Deepcut Neighbourhood Forum (HH) Clare Kennedy – Deepcut Neighbourhood Forum (CK) Revd Daniel Natnael – St Barbara's Church, Deepcut (DN) Keith Maynard – St Barbara's Church, Deepcut (KM) Sarita Bishop – Principal Planning Officer, SHBC (SB) Andrew Stokes – Highways Officer, SCC (AS)
Apologies:	Cllr Morgan Rise – Surrey Heath Borough Council Ward Councillor Niki Dufour, Development Manager – Skanska



## Agenda

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Minutes Tuesday 10th January 2023
- 3. Project Update
- 4. Planning Update
- 5. Public Art Consultation
- 6. Community Activity
- 7. Questions / AOB
- 8. Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023

#### 1. Welcome

• Nick Sutcliffe (NS) welcomed the group.

## 2. Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023

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

## 3. Project Update

Leisliane Garcia (LG) provided an update on the project:

- the DIO road (Newfoundland, Union, and Canada Roads) upgrades will be commencing shortly
- external refurbishment of St Barbara's Church is nearly complete
- the Loop Road is progressing well, the road is starting to take shape and will hopefully be completed in next three to four months
- Brunswick road is under construction, surface water drainage is being installed
- some building demolition in the southern SANGS is ongoing
- Question: DW asked where Brunswick Road will provide access to.

LG advised it will provide access to the Officers Mess; a barrier will be in place at end of the road restricting onward travel.



### **DIO Roads improvement works**

- Skanska has undertaken a period of engagement with residents and the sequencing of the works reflects comments received
- **Question: SB** asked if Skanska is in discussions with Vistry about the opening of Royal Way.

**LG** explained that once Royal Way is open, access will be restricted around construction activities. There will be partial road closures around the Bovis parcel, access will be maintained, and traffic will need to be managed.

**SB** asked if advance warning signage will be installed along Mindenhurst Road and Cyprus Road.

**LG** confirmed there will be a wider traffic management plan in place covering the site, and where possible a full closure will be implemented so works can be completed quicker. This approach is based on residents' feedback.

- Full closure of Newfoundland Road will commence when Royal Way is open, est. summertime and will last several months, until approximately October time. During this time there will be limited access through Royal Way to the north of the site.
- **Question: HH** asked if these works will resolve flooding near the Project Office.

**LG** confirmed this includes a new surface water and drainage system, dropped kerbs and street lighting.

• **Question: KM** advised St Barbara's Church will be using Portesbury School during school holidays and asked if access to will be maintained through the road closure.

Action: LG asked the church to provide their programme so access can be maintained when needed.

• Question: PD asked if the paving outside Skanska's office will be repaired?

Action: LG will check the maintenance plan and provide a post-meeting update. Note: this area is a private car park.

• Question: CK shared a concern raised at the recent Mytchett, Frimley Green and Deepcut Society meeting that Bovis is apparently selling the provision of additional parking around the Village Centre.

Action: LG is not aware of this and will investigate.

• **Deepcut Bridge Road Environmental Improvement Works** will hopefully start in July, but this is dependent on other factors. Detailed plans will be communicated with residents, as traffic will be able to south to north but northbound traffic will be diverted along Mindenhurst road. A Phasing plan will follow.





- At a similar time, works will commence on the formal park, church hall and car park construction (in front of church).
- **Question: PD** requested Skanska liaises closely with the school to minimise disruption particularly during drop off and pick up times.

**LG** agreed and explained the team is working to avoid temporary traffic lights during construction to support traffic flow.

• Question: DW asked how long the environmental improvement works will take.

Action: LG to confirm in post-meeting update.

• **Question: HH** asked if the car park works will be phased so traders still have access to parking.

**LG** advised that there will be a period when the car park has to be closed but the team will minimise disruption as far as possible, accounting for parking availability across the wider area. Businesses will be kept informed of any activities that may impact them and detailed plans will follow.

**AS** added that advance communication is vital. Surrey's Works Communication Team has already met Skanska and will be meeting the team again to ensure the community is informed.

• SANGs Link: contractors are removing vegetation and planting new landscape.

#### • Project update: food store

The contract has been exchanged with the developer but completion of the sale of the site remains subject to planning. Details will come forward as part of the planning application and community consultation.

#### 4. Planning Update

• The sale of the remaining residential and commercial plots is under negotiation.

Action: provide a copy of the overhead image on the residential & commercial slide to CK.

#### 5. Northern Area RMA update

• One RMA is outstanding, which is now divided into three different applications. A new design is needed for the sports pavilion to accommodate the requirements sought by the Council.



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**Question: CK** asked about parking provision.

**SB** confirmed a total of 72 parking spaces at the Sports Hub and 17 at the allotments.

• Question: HH asked if there will be any security fencing around allotments?

**LG** responded security fence has been included in the design to the specification required by the council.

• **PD** reported that a camera on a lamppost has been smashed and asked if Skanska was aware.

## 6. Public art consultation

- Chelsea Reilly (CR) provided an update on the public art consultation launching soon at Mindenhurst. It follows a commitment from the original hybrid planning consent. The three locations have been agreed and the locations are shown on this slide, each reflecting a different aspect of the development.
- The community will soon have the opportunity to help decide which artist should be commissioned to carry out the work. Then a detailed design brief will be agreed, and the artist will create the three pieces of work.
- The news of the consultation will be shared across our print and digital platforms, Exhibition boards are on display at our project office and on our project website, where residents will be able to vote for their preferred artist.
- Question: PD requested links to the artists.

**NS** added a link in the Teams chat and confirmed the website link will be shared along with the minutes.

## 7. Community Activity

• **CR** provided an update on recent community activities which have been taking place across Mindenhurst.

## 8. Questions / AOB

• **Question: SB** asked what provisions have been made to ensure that the Esso Pipeline works road closures does not conflict with the DBR work.

Action: LG will provide a post-meeting update.



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- **Rev. DN** provided an update on the Church's activities following the departure from Mindenhurst School. A partnership with Camberley Manor Care Home has been very successful but the group still needs a space for the community coffee and chat morning, Rev. DN asked if any liaison group members could assist with this.
- **KM** asked if a planning application has been made for listed building consent for interior of the church.

**SB** confirmed that all consents have been granted.

• **PD** asked if the team could do anything to speed up repair of potholes on DIO roads.

**SB** added there is a concerning pothole at junction of Deepcut Bridge Road and Somme/Menorca Road.

Action: LG will review boundary to assess if it is SCC highways responsibility or Skanska's responsibility.

**HH** added that the 20mph sign is not visible due to dirt.

Action: LG will get the sign cleaned.

9. Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023