The Glebe Steering Group Meeting

Wednesday 28th February 2018

Apologies: Saj Patel,	
In attendance:	
Leanne Purnell	

- 1. Minutes of last meeting agreed.
- 2. Actions from last meeting
 - Draft letter to residents drawn up and to be approved by group LP
 - Draft project plan drawn up, group to approve LP
 - £5k from City Council towards Resonance social investment funding confirmed LP
 - Glevum Work's site is not a proposed allocation in the emerging City Plan and our general stance would be to try and protect the status of the site as employment.
 This would not prevent however a residential development application being submitted for the site by existing or future owners
 - Carried forward Research of similar projects and designs
 - Date of B&T Activity Forum Wednesday 9th May at The Friendship Café (see attached)
 - The Hatherley Day centre site has been purchased by Gloucestershire Care Services, this was done 3 years ago and they are currently looking at options for the site. Cost is an important factor for them at the moment. The building is not listed but does have heritage interest. Possibility could be used as a training hub in partnership with other organisations such as the Police and 2gether Trust. GCS provide many clinical services to which there may be a link to use The Glebe for health based activities for the local community. They are interested in working alongside the project subject to approval of options. has suggested The Glebe group could be based in the Hatherley building as a way of having strong links with the building and use of centre and parking spaces for evening should the centre be developed in a partnership model
- 3. It is continuing to work with Resonance to explore the social investment opportunity. They have not yet presented to Power to Change. The City Council have secured £5k required for the 10% buy in. It's time to start thinking about setting up a community benefit society so that there is a mechanism for funding to go into and formalised structures, the group agreed that this was a good idea for the Glebe Project and also to be able to assist smaller community projects with holding funding for them. This can sometimes be a barrier for groups or individuals which Leanne and have had experience of.
- 4. A few amendments were made to the resident's letter, this will be sent to Communications team at the County Council to approve. Leanne hopes to push this through quickly in order to distribute the letters towards the end of next week given the date for the forum is on the 9th May. It was decided that as part of the letter drop we would also door knock and have a discussion with the residents and note all feedback. Leanne to advise when letter has been approved and then organise letter drop. Those in attendance were keen to help with this.

Wider consultation to be thought about, how it might look etc. mentioned that the St James School sports day is being held on Wednesday 6th June, would be a great opportunity to speak to the children and parents, also the Cultural Fayre in August.

- 5. A draft project plan has been drawn up, please feedback to Leanne your thoughts. We discussed that for the wider consultation a visual of how the site could potentially look is needed, concerns were raised that the fencing of the site could make it took too caged in and similar style to a MUGA which we want to keep away from. Discussions to be had with and his contact regarding the design of the site taking into consideration we want to consult on the concept and to iron out the issues with sound barriers and high fences.
- 6. talked about the forum event on the 9th may, there are two sessions 10-12 and 6-8, it was decided that the online booking may put some people off so will be removed.
- 7. It is imperative that we tackle the elephant in the room which is highway issues/parking which could potentially block the project. is happy to discuss the project in more detail with the owners of Glevum Works and work to find a solution that meets everybody's needs.
 - made a suggestion about large tent/marquee hire on the site for weddings etc

Actions:

Leanne

- Speak to re design concept drawings
- Confirm and finalise letter distribution and communicate with group
- - Research of similar projects and designs
 - Make enquiries into plans of the design concept
- - Approach the owner of Glevum Works for further discussions

For all

- Consider the community benefit society idea
- Consider how wider consultation will look and how we do it
- Consider what skills, roles and contributions we can all make to the project moving forward
- Ideas for fundraising

Date of next meeting Wednesday 16th May at 5pm