

# WNP Monthly Update to WPC and HPC

05 March 2018

*'Language is all'* SODC tactical advice, final NP stage

## A. Current Priorities.

*A number of key parts of the Final Draft WNP are being completed at the same time.*

- a) The SEA (Strat. Env. Assessment ) ordered by SODC after concerns from Environment Agency, and Natural England, has begun. Its consultation lasts 6 weeks. The delay was not our asking, but our case will be stronger for it. **WNP Website**
- b) Site Assessments are a current **Priority**. Letters seeking confirmation-of-availability-in-principle have gone out to confirm interest expressed during Public Consultation last summer. We meet with one landowner this week. The Site Assessments will form a Topic Paper within the Final Draft NP. ('Appendices' are not advised in NPs as they are outside the text.)
- c) Basic Conditions Statement (Compliance) is being left until April and completion of process.
- d) The Consultation Statement is drafted, but we wait to include SEA before final version.
- e) Data Protection. We are excluding private residents' names, but not elected public names. [For verification by Examiner, all names will be available in the required Hard Copy Archive.
- f) Executive Summary (possible matrices being looked at).
- g) Character is to be made a topic paper, separate from History, including building materials

## B. WNP Website ([www.wheatleyneighbourhoodplan.co.uk](http://www.wheatleyneighbourhoodplan.co.uk))

- a) All Committee Meetings, 20 between Jan 2016 – February 2018, have been published.
- b) Workshops will be added next
- c) It is agreed that we need an overall Contents system and for each section a sub-Contents system for ease of access. A huge amount of research and encounter is deposited there  
**[Worth noting: WNP Tree Survey under Evidence Base, Research 12 was immediately available for WNP response to OBU/GVA outline proposals proposing tree destruction].**

## C. Responses to OBU / GVA outline proposals to SODC.

- a) Unique Unity ! – W & HPC, WNP, OCC and SODC
- b) WNP Committee comments and Tree Survey went in. Our Tree surveyors note Beech, Field Maple, Birch and Oak among 17 trees (135-152) directly threatened by GVA plans.
- c) WNP Chairman - general response over Brookes site.
  - OCC well-thought and decidedly 'a time to speak' We also met them 19 January.
  - Detail noteworthy. Good start to dialogue (WPC even more encouraged by this to form a new Infrastructure Committee, esp. following WNP 's January meeting with OCC.)
  - That dialogue could also take us beyond Holloway and across to Station Rd
  - GVA: still strong possibility that the 'foreign body' may be in line to buy.

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