

BBC/EWR Task Group – Minutes



BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

Date: Wednesday 7th January

Time: 9.30 – 10.30am

Venue: Hybrid

Attendees:

Craig Austin (CA) Antigua Riley Corion (ARC)

John Molyneux (JM) Sarah Combes (SC)

Paul Pace (PP) Margaret Birtles (MB)

Gavin Chinniah (GC) Simon Joynes (SJ)

Dawn Staal (DS) Anna Robbani (AR)

Ben Raza (BR) Dawn Walton (DW)

No.	Discussion	Actions
1.	Apologies Jo Branson-Budd (JBB)	
2.	Minutes from meeting on 16th December Minutes circulated for agreement.	
3.	BBC/EWR Stakeholder Engagement with properties affected by CPO ARC advised that BBC officers have requested from EWR the addresses of properties and areas affected by CPO. This information has not been forthcoming. ARC confirmed that invites have been sent for the next BBC engagement event on 12 th January to residents affected by CPO in the Poets area. ARC and BR confirmed that a press release has been prepared inviting residents of the wider community to a BBC engagement event on 20 th January. GC advised that EWR are holding a further round of consultation events in February.	ARC to follow up addresses with EWR again. BR to share press release for approval and send out.

	<p>ARC advised that she has now received EWR's Community Consultation Strategy document, and will share this with the Task Group.</p>	<p>ARC to share EWR's community consultation strategy document with Task Group.</p>
4.	<p>Licences</p> <p>MB advised that she will be meeting with EWR soon to discuss the licences further.</p>	<p>MB to provide summary of current position regarding licences to Craig by 14th January.</p>
5.	<p>AOB</p> <p>SC provided an update that JBB has contacted EWR regarding the procurement of external specialists for BBC's project team, to be agreed by EWR through the PPA. JBB is waiting for a response.</p> <p>Discussion around whether any officers had received further detail following receipt of the 'Technical Note' justifying EWR's reasons for CPO of Ashburnham Rd properties. All officers present stated they had received no further information.</p> <p>SJ confirmed that JBB has requested further details from EWR regarding the MVL curve issue discussed at the previous task group meeting on 16th December. EWR have proposed acoustic fencing; officers have requested information about other solutions considered.</p> <p>BR advised that he has developed a list of 'FAQs' for BBC's webpage.</p> <p>Discussion around EWR plans for the new multi-storey car park on Britannia Road. Queries raised about the footprint of this, alongside Bedford Hospital plans, and any impacts to the surrounding area.</p> <p>SJ confirmed that JBB has requested the full forward plan of EWR's proposed meetings.</p>	<p>JBB to provide update regarding the Technical Note at the next meeting.</p> <p>BR to circulated 'FAQs' for approval ahead of next meeting.</p> <p>JBB to query footprint and impacts of new multi-storey car park with EWR.</p>
10.	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 20th January, 3-4pm (Hybrid)</p>	