

Minutes of Over Hulton Neighbourhood Forum

29 August 2019

702 Manchester Road, Over Hulton, Bolton

Attendees:	T Hewitt, N Taylor C Bevis N Douglas N Taylor S Williams Steph Williams M Bevis S Frewtrell
Apologies	(By Conference Call) D Parkinson

Previous actions

All updated key documentation was provided to Troy Planning although some were provided quite a few weeks after the end of April deadline due to people being away on holiday.

Design Code

TH updated that we have been approached by Amanda Reynolds, Director of AR Urbanism, 63 Rivington Street, London, EC2A. They have been appointed by Locality to provide our neighbourhood forum with design code support for our neighbourhood plan.

They have been advised by Locality that we have already drafted a character area assessment which we need to provide to them as a useful start in terms of understanding our area and priorities within it.

They have suggested meeting with us on 23rd September at 12 noon as they need to receive and examine the work already completed by Troy Planning. The assigned planner will be Alec Scragg and he will make contact with CB to organise his travel. TH/CB would be able to collect Alec from Atherton train station at 12.00 which is the nearest train station and then do a tour around the area in the car around for a couple of hours so that he can collect photographs and make notes before heading to examine the paperwork.

The funding is paid by Locality directly to AR Urbanism once they have completed the work on our project. Following the meeting, a provisional programme will be sketched out that shows work stages and reflective of the initial deadline for the work to be completed given by Locality as end of November.

The visit's proposed agenda would be to :

Drive around Neighbourhood Area with discussion on current design issues

- Discussion of current state of the Neighbourhood Plan
- Discussion of Troy Planning's baseline analysis and local green space assessment
- The Neighbourhood Plan's ambitions for the Design Code
- Initial thoughts regarding potential for the Design Code

The CV's of the planners are below for information.

<http://www.ar-urbanism.com/>

Amanda Reynolds - Director

Amanda is an Architect and Urban Designer with over 25 years' experience in master planning, urban design, architecture, community engagement, expert evidence and design review on a range of projects in the UK and overseas. Recent experience includes developing master planning solutions for post-industrial and greenfield sites in and around London and other UK cities. Projects include major housing and mixed-use regeneration projects for both public and private sector clients. All projects involve complex planning processes and collaborative team working as well as a variety of approaches to community engagement. A number of Amanda's projects have included a successful role as an expert witness for Planning Hearings or Public Inquiries on urban design and architectural issues.

Alec Scragg - Urban Designer

Alec is an urban designer with experience in urban regeneration and masterplanning projects. He has a background in both the public and private sector, previously working on a range of masterplans as part of Grimshaw Architects LLP, as well as formerly being a member of the design team of the LLDC. He has studied at the Bartlett School of Architecture UCL and the University of Cambridge, where he was also employed as a research assistant on the Cambridge City Project, documenting the role of the knowledge economy in shaping the city's culture and urban growth.

Date of next meeting

To be confirmed following the 23rd September visit by AR Urbanism.