MINUTES OF OVER HULTON NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Date of Teams Meeting: Monday 27 March 2023 (7pm)

DParkinson; NTaylor, CBevis, SWilliams

Apologies MBevis

A call was scheduled to remind everyone that Troy Planning submitted our final NP to Bolton Council on 19th August 2022 as part of (Regulation 16).

As we understand it, the outstanding stages are:

- Six weeks formal Reg 16 consultation on the plan (and the forum designation)
- Appointment of an inspector and the public examination of the plan and responses made to it
- Consideration by Bolton Council of the Inspector's report and if appropriate approval for referendum
- Setting up a referendum of Over Hulton electors. If there is a majority vote endorsement, it
 would then be brought into effect by Bolton Council. Bolton Council has advised there is
 currently no minimum turnout requirement.

The forum was under the impression that the NP would form part of the May Local Council Election, however this is incorrect. The Council have advised delays have been down to other significant matters which have taken priority i.e. GM Places for Everyone and also some staffing shortages. Bolton Council will update us when the (Regulation 16) process is likely to commence, although at this current time it is uncertain when this is likely to be.

An email is to be sent to planners to establish if there is any regulatory requirement when Council's need to commence the (Regulation 16) consultation process once an application has been received.

Forum redesignation – No further news has been forthcoming from the Council on when this might . We have previously sent them electronic copies of the OHNF Designation Addendum and Appendices which we have asked them to take into consideration with our reapplication.

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Fundraising Activities

Abba Tribute night Over Hulton Conservative Club - Saturday 22 April

DP advised that all tickets have now been sold which is excellent news. Tickets this year will cost £15 which is a £5 increase on last year, this year's tickets will include a pasty supper. There will also be a raffle and a tombola to help raise funds for the Forum. DP asked the group to donate and also to ask around family/friends for any donations.

No further business