



Stamford Vision Strategy Group
Minutes of the meeting 15th October 2004

1. Present

John Plumb (Chairman), Srikanth Padmanabhan, Catherine Hammant, Egerton Gilman, Andrew Moore, Graddon Rowlands, Mike Sibthorp and Nadine Taylor. Apologies were received from Robert Conboy, Andrew Middleton, David Nalson and Philip Sagar. John Judge attended as the Mayor's representative. NT was welcomed, as this was her first meeting.

2. Presentation by Mick Start on licensing

MS gave an overview of the background to the changes in the licensing law which will transfer responsibility from magistrates to the district council. The consultation phases of the process will finish on the 31st October and the law will come into force on the 7th February 2005. There are a whole range of activities which will come under SKDC's jurisdiction requiring the authorisation of a license and further details can be seen on the council's website.

3. Minutes from the previous meeting and matters arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Membership of Strategy Group

SKDC are still working though the process to appoint a further representative and this will go to the next full council meeting at the end of October.

5. Developing the strategy

The group was joined by William Armes who led us through an activity focusing exercise, based on the previously identified priority areas and the objectives expressed in Vision 2015. This led to the identification of 5 key areas of activity –

- the Gateway transformation,
- strategy development for a future road solution,
- commenting on the Local Development Framework,
- developing an Area Action Plan methodology for the Welland Quarter, and
- producing a comprehensive car parking policy.

The next stage will be to develop detailed work plans to achieve these outcomes.

6. Car Parking statement of approach

An updated statement is attached but this added to with other proposals currently being refined, with a view to early submission to SKDC.

7. Reports on the working groups

The notes were previously circulated, in addition the urban group met earlier this week and progress is being made on maps and benches.

8. Liaison with the working groups and town council

- A meeting with all the working groups and the strategy group will take place in January at Castle Hill Language School, date to be finalised.
- The town council will be invited to Newage also in January at 6pm to meet with the strategy group, date to be agreed.

9. AOB

The architects wish to build a model for the exhibition and the committee agreed to fund this additional expense.

10. Date of the next meeting 9am 19th November 2004 at Newage AVK SEG