

# Heslington Neighbourhood Plan

## Minutes of the Working Group meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at the Heslington Village Meeting room

Present: - David Blacketer [DB], Bill McClean [BM], Richard Frost [RF], Niall McTurk [NM].

In attendance – Richard Bramley [RB] joined the meeting at item 4.

Apologies were received from Andrew Collingwood, Nick Allen [NA], John Lawton [JL],

1. DB welcomed all attendees.
2. The minutes of the Working Group [WG] meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2016 were approved. It was also noted that revised WG Terms of Reference had been approved by the Parish Council.
3. Draft Local Plan. The proposed land allocations had now been made public. Agreed that the new proposals were an improvement as far as Heslington Parish is concerned. Noted that there are provisions regarding access to the former Whinthorpe area to protect Heslington Village but nothing is written in regarding access to the University expansion area. Agreed that any challenge to the extension of the proposed university boundary, where land is reserved for academic and educational use including halls of residence and science research, would not be successful. Consequently the NP will need to acknowledge this and seek conditions for the use of Low Lane to restrict access pedestrian and cycle use only.
4. Area to be applied for. Noted that CYC would find it acceptable for the whole of Heslington Parish to be included in any new application for a NP. The meeting agreed that the next application should include all land in the parish. With a NP covering the whole parish the university residents would have about 4000 votes in any final referendum. Thus for the NP to progress we would need considerable input from the university. A proposal on this basis will be made to the PC for approval.
5. Approach to stakeholders. Having defined the NP area as the whole parish and recognising that resident students would be entitled to vote on any NP it was proposed that there should be a meeting with the University in order to get their full support and to explain to them the value of being involved. It was proposed the WG should reach out to the University and seek their support with four members of the working party agreed, but with RB disagreeing.
6. Agreed that, provided the PC is in agreement, two members of the working party together with Dave Chetwyn, Consultant should attend the meeting with the University. JL to be asked to arrange the meeting and those attending should be two from JL, RJF and DB. This would be a crucial meeting.
7. A possible prior meeting with Martin Grainger, CYC was discussed but there was no foreseeable advantage in this.
8. The draft “*Have your Say*” survey was discussed but no further action was possible at the present time and until the other items were agreed and progressed.
9. Next meeting – to be agreed.