

LCWIP Working Group (Formerly Cycling and Walking Discussion Group) 10th February 2021

Present; Adrian Berendt, Natalie Earl, Alastair Gould, Tim Stonor, Julian Saunders (Chair) Eddie Thomas, Chris Wright

In attendance: Adrienne Begent

1) Minutes 15th January 2021

The minutes from 15th January 2021 were approved.

2) Update on LCWIP

The Town Council has approved the creation of LCWIP. A meeting has been held with Senior Officers at SBC, who have confirmed that NE can attend the meetings of the working group. The Town Council will take the lead and this working group will report to 20's Plenty Committee.

A funding application would be submitted to East Area Committee in the following weeks which would cover the area beyond Faversham, identifying routes to neighbouring parishes.

3) PJA Proposal

The proposal from PJA had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting. Areas for discussion:

Geographical Area

Clarification was needed that the new developments would be included in the geographical area.

The Parish to Town project should be considered as an additional "bolt on" project, but it is important to explore the overlap between the projects.

Timeline

It was noted that the LCWIP may take longer to be written than Faversham NHP. It was considered that different versions could be created, or the project could be run with different phases which may be useful for securing funding. The Chair added that the first report could be produced 4-6 weeks after commission. NE confirmed the LCWIP would need to be a strategy document to accompany the Local Plan. Whilst it could be a 'living document' it would need to be in an advanced stage when it goes to the SoS in summer 2021.

IF PJA were appointed the LCWIP could be completed in a phased approach, with Faversham Area completed first. With PJA co-ordinating the work the risk of repetition would be removed.

Content

It was noted that the proposal also addressed other factors (Low Traffic Neighbourhoods, Severance + Permeability, Vehicle Access + Routings and Public Realm). Though initially questions were raised about the relevance of these other factors, it was agreed that they are linked and could encourage cycling and walking. The NHP would also be considering them.

ACTION: Initial Conversation to be arranged with JS, ET and Ben Coleman (PJA) (JS)

ACTION: Scope Meeting to be arranged with LCWIP WG, NHP SG and PJA (JS)

ACTION: Request NHP timeline and the deadline for draft LCWIP for inclusion in plan (JS)

4) Date of Next Meeting The meeting would be held on Wednesday 10th March at 9.00am