



THE LONG STRATTON GROWTH ALL GROUP  
MEETING HELD AT LONG STRATTON PARISH OFFICE, THE STREET, LONG STRATTON  
23<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST 2018, 11AM

**MINUTES**

In attendance:

Councillor Diane Woodham  
Ian Hetherington  
Robert Mackenzie  
Dawn Brighton  
Becky Buck (Clerk)

Councillor Steve Adcock (Chairman)  
Al Presslee  
County Councillor Alison Thomas  
Simon Marjoram  
Jessica Lawton (Admin Assistant)

1. Apologies for absence were received from Terry Harper, Mike Haslam, Alan Arber, Councillor Kevin Worsley, Mike Rigby, Rob Evans, Richard Doleman, Keith Burnett.
2. Introductions were made around the table, the Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
3. Updates from different areas
  - a. Neighbourhood plan: Steve Adcock informed the attendees the Neighbourhood Plan was picking up pace with feedback from public consultations with more consultations planned. It is anticipated that there will be a draft plan at the end of the calendar year with referendum being held in the new year. There will be a consultation on the draft plan, followed by a consultation with South Norfolk District Council. It was recommended by Simon Marjoram that the draft plan be circulated internally so that feedback can be provided, feedback will take 6 weeks so that the plan can be reviewed efficiently. Caution will be required as if consultation/ referendum occurs too late in the year then it maybe it will be during the time of PURDAH.
  - b. Developers: Al Presslee spoke on behalf of the developers. He advised that they have been having a series of meetings with planning officers at South Norfolk District Council. Together they have been working on the applications and identifying areas that need further work. There will be no amendments to the plan individually, the intention is to submit them as a whole once the entire application has been reviewed. It is at this time that it is anticipated another consultation will occur on the amendments only. It was reiterated

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that all of the statutory responses can be found on line. There is no target committee although meetings are occurring monthly.

- c. Highways: There was no officer representing Highways therefore County Councillor Alison Thomas gave a brief update. Highways had sent in their statutory response which is available on the website. They are focusing on the proposed bypass and continue to have round table discussions about moving this forward.
  - d. Healthcare: Keith Burnett had sent his apologies; Dawn Brighton was there representing Swan Lane surgery. Dawn outline the issues surrounding the surgery. Each GP has 2400 patients allocated and this ratio is set be the Clinical Commissioning Group. Within the current premises there is not the facility to accommodate another GP. The building is owned privately. If land could be sourced as part of the proposed development would this provide the opportunity to provide additional facilities/ relocate the current surgery? Would there be funding to get a new building? Without expanding the current building which has been refused before by the building owner or providing a new facility there is no capacity for another GP. Recommended a meeting with a representative from the Clinical Commissioning Group and one of the GP partners to discuss options.
  - e. Planning: Simon Marjoram reiterated the round table discussions that are occurring but was unable to provide any more information.
  - f. Long Stratton Parish Council: The Clerk reported that they had submitted their response to the planning application. Other than the Neighbourhood Plan update, there was no further comment to make from the Council.
  - g. Tharston and Hapton Parish Council: As there was no representative from Tharston and Hapton, no update was provided.
  - h. There were no other areas present.
4. To discuss and review the proposed infrastructure
- a. Schools: There was no further development regarding the planned school.
  - b. Bypass: County Councillor Thomas reiterated that they continue to have discussions regarding delivering this project as quickly and efficiently.
  - c. Community Centre: The original proposal was for the community centre to be placed on star lane in the heart of the community. It had been brought to the Parish council's attention that Tharston & Hapton Council had also expressed interest in building a centre in the open space that falls within their

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boundary. Simon Marjoram was asked whether planning would permit a building near premises which may have environmental issues. He advised that it would be an area for concern but would not necessarily negate the application. No other comment was made.

5. There was no other business to discuss
6. No date was set for the next meeting, however it was decided to be an evening meeting in 6 weeks time.

With there being no further business the Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting at 1pm.

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As a qualifying body in accordance with section 61g of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and Section 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012, Long Stratton Parish Council is undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan