



EARLS BARTON SPORTS & LEISURE PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd January 2023 at The Grange Sports Field

Present: Cllr Peter Morrall (Chair), Bob Entwistle, Cllr Steve Hiscock (EBPC), Matt Kennedy (EBCC), Antony Owen (EBUFC), Paul Smith (EBS&CT), Cllr Sam Weller (EBPC), Rosie Smart (EBPC)

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Jayne Bond (EBPC), Chris George (EBCC), Jonathan Groves, James Peel (CS2).

2. Meeting held 6th December 2022

(a) Approval of Minutes - It was agreed to approve the minutes.

3. Project Manager Update (CS2)

(a) Completed Actions –

- Phase 1 archaeology completed – awaiting report and submission. The trenches have been poorly made good – RS to report.

(b) Current Activities –

- Ecology report to be carried out in January.
- Biodiversity Net Gain report due in January.

(c) BREEAM Status

- Energy report to prove same as BREEAM very good submitted to planners before Christmas.

(d) Outstanding Decisions/Approvals Required

- Awaiting tender submission report – it was noted that the delay of over 6 weeks is unacceptable. RS to ask for this to be provided in time of the meeting of EBPC on Monday 9th January.
- Value engineering exercise to be carried out to identify savings.
- Flood Risk Assessment still outstanding – ask Richard Colson (RC) to chase.
- 3 quotes for tree removal to avoid bird nesting season required – RS to liaise with JB.
- DWH have offered 170kva. M&E Consultants are looking for 280kva. Awaiting comment from DWH. M&E to review.

(e) Project Plan Update including timeline – no update.

4. Building Design Update/Discussion (CS2)

- No update
5. **Planning Status (CS2)** – RC to attend meeting with NNC Planners on 11th January.
6. **Site Actions/Handover Status with DWH (AO)** –
- Email sent to DWH asking for meeting to mark the end of defects period and outstanding works.
 - Consideration should be given to carrying out the outstanding works for a monetary exchange – this may help fund the build.
 - RS to talk to Rob Bellamy about the maintenance of the hedgerow and the trees on the eastern boundary.
7. **Budget Update Review (AO)**
- Based on the tender submissions received, there is likely to be a shortfall of approximately £1.3m.
 - £600k has already been spent to get to this stage.
 - A discussion was held over the unsatisfactory manner in which the DWH planning application was dealt with, and whether there is a case for compensation. However, it was noted that, as the ball strike fencing was erected in breach of planning permission, this undermines any case against DWH.
8. **Funding Update/Discussion (SG)**
- **Football Foundation Funding** – surveys to begin week commencing 9th January.
 - **Tesco Community Grant** – will continue until January.
 - **NNC Grant** – A meeting is to be arranged with NNC Ward Councillors to discuss increasing the NNC grant due to the rising costs and the delays caused by NNC Planning.
 - **Other funding** – RS to look again into National Lottery funding.
 - **Funding Tracker** – to be created.
9. **Earls Barton Sports and Community Trust Update (BE)**
- PS continues to make progress on the evidence base for funding. DKD (Development Knowledge Diversity) are interested in setting up an academy for elite footballer on the site and have asked to sign an agreement in principal for a September 2024 launch date.
 - Bank account forms to be signed next week.
10. **Any Other Business (All)** – none raised.

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 7th February 2023