BOROUGH OF KETTERING

EAST KETTERING LIAISON FORUM

MEETING HELD: 30th March 2017

| <u>Present</u> : | Councillor Lloyd Bunday (Chair) Councillors, Mark Rowley, Shirley Lynch, Andrew Dutton and Phillip Hollobone (Kettering Borough Council) Councillors Christopher Groome and Eileen Hales, MBE (Northamptonshire County Council) Councillors Victoria Lamb (Warkton Parish Council), Toni Wilkin (Weekley Parish Council) and Stephen Pickard (Cranford Parish Council) Daniel Oladejo (Environment Agency) Dr Tom Kelly (CPRE) Merlyn Gray (Churches Together) | | |
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| Also Present: | Twelve members of the public. | | |
| KBC Officers: | Martin Hammond, Louise Holland, Gavin Ferries, Rob Harbour and Pritesh Shah | | |
| | Callum Galluzzo (Committee Administrator) | | |
| NCC Officers: | Kingsley Cook (Highways) | | |
| Developers: | Edmund Fox (David Wilson Homes) | | |
| Members of the Press: | None | | |
| Apologies: | Cllr Anne Lee, Cllr Jan Smith, Stephen Catchpole (South East Midlands Local Enterprise Partnership) and Alan Worldie (Hanwood Park) | | |

| REF | Item/Issue | Response/Action | Responsibility | Timescale |
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| 16.EKLF.21 | NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 6 TH OCTOBER 2016 The notes of the meeting held on 6 th October 2016 were agreed by the members of the forum as a true record of the meeting | | | |
| 16.EKLF.22 | The Timeline for Delivery, Action Plan and Infrastructure Updates were given verbally and in a presentation to the Forum as follows: | | | |
| | Planning Update (KBC) | | | |
| | Pritesh Shah provided an update relating to the developments across the East Kettering Site: | | | |
| | Persimmon homes received a resolution to approve in September 2015 for 332 dwellings, the unique point of this development was an open square in the centre which would include an area for park/play Taylor Wimpey received planning approval in March 2016 for a development including 167 dwellings and a linear park open space. A number of finds were found during a recent archaeological survey to the East Kettering Development site including remnants of old building and pottery, a report was being produced and would be made available for public viewing at a later date at the County records office. Pipework relating to the main pumping station and sewage treatment facilities have been completed by Anglian Water following delays due to adverse weather conditions, other pipe work will continue early April. | | | |
| | Highways Update | | | |
| | Kingsley Cook of Northamptonshire Highways attended the forum and gave an update relating to off-site junctions | | | |
| | Works on the access D Roundabout connecting Warkton Lane and Deeble Road have been completed and the post completion road safety audit was due to take place soon in order to look at the | | | |

| Lighting Access Preliminary designed Preliminary designed A number of offs highway improved development site Design works had calming, no time | imits an Crossings o/from Southern Service Road gn work had taken place at Junction C between d Windmill Avenue ite junctions were reaching capacity and major ments were required at points close to the | |
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| Edmund Fox of David W update relating to Parcel David Wilson Homes & Barratt | Ison Homes attended the forum and gave an s R7, R9 & R10 Parcels R7, R9 and R10: The roundabout that forms 'Access D' has been built out. Section 106 funding had been secured relating to payments to Highways. 8 Units had been completed in the first quarter with another 30 units due to be completed in the next quarter. The first sales of units released to the market were due to take place late April / early May and the developer was aware of the issues relating to amenities. Within the next two months construction would have started on the block of affordable units with an end date sometime in October. Issues were raised regarding a number of material shortages from the construction suppliers. The Developer had been in | |

| | contact with the planning authority where | | |
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| | changes to plans have been made. | | |
| 16.EKLF.23 | QUESTIONS | | |
| | Q. There have been reports of construction vehicles driving through Cranford village, these vehicles have not been in keeping with the agreed routes. Can something be done to address this? | A. We have tried to monitor the situation. Checks have been made on different days and at differing times of the day. Action can be taken and these will be flagged with the construction managers to ensure drivers are using the agreed route. | Edmund Fox (DWH) |
| | Q. What Roadworks or Junction improvements does highways expect to commence work on between now and Christmas of this year? | A. The Woodland Avenue/Barton Road junction is currently being looked at in terms of the legal agreements. Road space bookings need to be made before any major infrastructure improvements are carried out. Other Junctions will be looked at and reported back at a future forum | |
| | Q. Can representatives from other developers attend the future forum dates? | A. Hanwood Park gave their apologies for the meeting but action will be taken to remind relevant parties of future forums. | |
| | Q. What is being done to ensure less disruption to traffic accessing Wicksteed Park due to the Deeble Road/Windmill Avenue junction improvements? | A. This is currently being looked at and any major improvements are subject to a traffic management plan but unfortunately due to the nature of the developments and improvements delays are likely. | Kingsley Cook |
| | | A. Where applicable the developer will | Edmund Fox |

| Q. Are the designs of dwellings due to be changed due to the shortage of certain materials? | ensure that the replaced materials will be of the same type/colour and finish as it can be. Barratt Wilson are in communication with KBC planning to ensure that the best method for these changes is delivered. | (DWH) |
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| Q. At previous forums those attending have been given copies of timelines and other supporting documents. Please can these be provided again at future meetings? | A. Due to delays and setbacks timescales are constantly changing and are outside of the Council's control, once more detailed timeframes are known, this will be looked at for future forums | |
| Q. Is the impact on surrounding districts considered with plans for any road improvements? | A. With every infrastructure plan the impact is taken into consideration by NCC. The highways department use a number of sophisticated models that are used county wide. | |
| Q. Construction traffic is already using the Barton Road/Cranford Road junction and there is mud on the road. Can the forum confirm that this will be managed when houses commence? | A. This is hoped to commence this year but the developer is still looking at a number of changes and the legal agreements. | |
| Q. When is the Persimmon site due to commence building? | A. Hopefully matters will fall into place this side of Christmas. There are also minor technical matters that need to be resolved. | |
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| | Q. What reassurances can be made that Hanwood Park are financially secure when they are seeking funding, it was recently published that Priors Hall went into administration causing problems at that incomplete development.Q. Where are we in terms of Junction 10A? | A. There has been little progress as additional funding is needed by the developer; the Council is in regular communication with Hanwood Park and have monthly progress meetings. Representatives from Hanwood park will be invited to future forums. A. Design work has been pushed back due to a number of issues relating to the junction. No further information is available at this time but the current timescale for this junction is 2020 plus. | |
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| | Q. What update can be given regarding the ongoing issues and disputes regarding the road and infrastructure to the school? | A. The Planning permission for the school utilities is a temporary consent and will be reviewed before renewal later this year. The council and NCC are looking to ensure that any/all the issues can be resolved for the benefit of the school. This will be looked into further and brought back to the forum once more information is detailed. | |
| | Q. What is happening with Junction C in terms of access to and from Southgate drive? | Southgate Drive works have proven to be more complex than initially anticipated due to the number of underground services in the area and maintaining access to residents. As a result the carriageway surfacing works are not programmed to start until 11th September and works programmed to complete on the 15th September. | |
| 16.EKLF.24 | ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING | | |
| | • Transport – junctions, access and timeframe including | | |

| | pedestrian and cycling Anglian Water Update Health study and Community update | | |
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| | Hayfield Cross Primary School Updated Timeline of development | | |
| 16.EKLF.25 | DATE OF NEXT MEETING | | |
| | 22 nd June 2017 | | |

(The meeting started at 6.00pm and ended at 7.03pm)

Signed

Chair

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