



Haverhill Area Working Party 17 April 2014

Haverhill Masterplanning: Briefing Note

1. Timeline and Next Steps

ONE Haverhill Activity to date:

- Workshop on Masterplanning and Town Walk completed
- Four draft themes identified (see over)
- ONE Haverhill Board members signed up to working groups to support the development of issues and options around each theme

SEBC activity:

- Lead facilitators for each working group identified and have met as a group
- Request to SCC for traffic planning input made
- Timeline mapped for development of issues and options and public consultation
- Standing invitation to attend HAWP given to Cllr Pugh as the Cllr link between ONE Haverhill/Masterplanning and Haverhill Cllrs.
- Major Planning Projects team to contribute to the theme groups.
- CEO to be the JLT sponsor for this work.

Remit for the Working Groups:

- To look at the draft themes
- Knock ideas about
- Ask what we already know/bring existing data to the table
- Establish what we don't know and identify barriers
- Draw in outside expertise where needed.
- The focus is on the Town Centre
- It is high-level work which will identify options, not solutions.

Next steps/timeline

- Meetings of the theme groups being convened (the groups will meet 2 x 2 A Place to Live, Work and Play/An Attractive Environment and Ready for Growth/Connectivity)
- 8 May ONE Haverhill Core Group meeting to discuss branding, editorial ownership etc in relationship to the consultation, Ian Poole attending.
- By 26 May to have held two meetings of each working group to produce initial issues and options
- 2 June meeting to bring together all the groups and the issues and options from each theme for feedback into the SEBC decision-making process.
- HAWP – date to be set in the week before Cabinet
- Cabinet 24 June
- At this point a view can be taken whether the issues and options are sufficiently developed to go out to consultation on them over the summer, or to use the summer for more extensive consultation to inform the draft issues and options.

- Final materials for consultation produced
- Consultation via the Haverhill summer programme of events
- SEBC to run an agents/developers session and a statutory stakeholders workshop alongside the consultation on draft issues an options whenever that takes place.

2. Draft themes, facilitators and ONE Haverhill Board members on the working groups

(Chair to be drawn from the group at the first meeting)

A place to live, work and play A mixed use town centre which welcomes people, makes the most of existing attractions and adds to them so that people want to live, work, shop and relax in the town.

SEBC facilitator – Chris Rand

ONE Haverhill Board members – Warren Smyth/Abbeycroft, Clair Harvey/SCC, Nick Keeble/HTC, Mary Taylor/West Suffolk College, Tony Brown/SCC, John Mayhew/Haverhill Chamber, Roger Andre/HTC, Beccy Hopfensperger/SCC, Alaric Pugh/SEBC

Ready for growth A centre which grows out from the High Street to provide the retail and other attractions an increasing population needs. A centre which is well promoted as part of the wider offer of the town.

SEBC facilitator – Kirsty Pitwood (assisted by Lorna Laycock)

ONE Haverhill Board members – Roger Andre/HTC, Henry Wilson/VCS, John Mayhew/Haverhill Chamber, Alaric Pugh/SEBC

To be invited to join: A chamber retail rep, SEBC Housing rep, larger businesses

Connectivity A centre which relates to the wider town, which traffic flows around, where access for deliveries and services has been planned and with well-signed and attractive walking routes around the centre and from the car parks

SEBC facilitator – Ian Poole

SCC Highways

ONE Haverhill Board members – Jason André/Castle Manor Partnership, Adam Whittaker/SEBC, Ernie Goody/HTC, John Mayhew/Haverhill Chamber, Loise Wreathall/WSCCG, Alaric Pugh/SEBC, Becky Hopfensperger/SCC

An attractive environment A town centre which develops its physical environment, celebrates its local heritage and encourages people to spend quality time in it.

SEBC facilitator – Lizzi Cocker (supported by Chris Leveson, Damien Parker/Jackie Fisher)

ONE Haverhill Board members – Tony Brown/SCC, Ernie Goody/HTC, John Mayhew/Haverhill Chamber, Alaric Pugh/SEBC

To be invited to join: Haverhill Local History Group, Environment Agency

Jo Ager, Samuel Ward School + up to 4 pupils from each upper school to be invited to join the groups.