**Housing and Regeneration**

**Fuller Slade Estate Renewal Forum**

**Monday 28 February 2022**

**6pm Held on Teams**

**Attendees:**

Councillor Emily Darlington

Councillor Simon Cherrill

Councillor Joseph Hearnshaw

David Meadows Resident (Chair)

Donna Addington Resident

Bianca Bendig-Ceesay Resident

Elise Muncaster Resident

Steve Summerfield Resident

Michelle Calnan Residents Association representative

Claire Banbury Business Representative

**Officers:**

Sasha Childs Community Engagement Officer, MKC

Peter Wilson Senior Development Manager, MKC

Nick Hufton Architect / Director, Shepheard Epstein Hunter

**Apologies:**

Councillor Jennifer Wilson-Marklew

Helen Havens Resident

Will Rysdale Head of Housing Delivery, MKC

# Welcome and introductions

David Meadows (DM) welcomed everyone to the meeting.

All attendees introduced themselves for the benefit of guests at the meeting.

# Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Jennifer Wilson-Marklew, Helen Havens and Will Rysdale.

# Option 3 Update and works programme

Councill Cherrill asked what the purpose of this meeting is and what we are trying to achieve. Councillor Darlington advised the purpose of this meeting is to move onto the next stage of reviewing Option 3 and how we can produce a phasing plan of moving this forward, we are looking for feedback from the ERF on the updated Option 3 plan, although this is not a final plan at this point. Councillor Cherrill asked if the Forum will have photographs and information to feedback on. Councillor Darlington confirmed that is the purpose of this meeting.

Nick Hufton (NH) shared his screen, he and Peter Wilson (PW) went through the presentation with the group, covering the following information:

* Introduction slide
* Option 3 information at the ballot
* Feedback on Option 3 since the ballot
* The revised Option 3

# Questions / Discussion

DM asked each ERF member for any questions and feedback they had

Donna Addington (DA) has comments at this time.

Michelle Calnan (MC) advised she is still processing the information at the moment.

Councillor Cherrill advised he needs more time to consider the information, the revised Option 3 plan needs to be circulated to members and the ERF to regroup to discuss it. It is good that the original road network is being kept which will minimise disruption. A question is how many new properties are planned on being built, given the density of the scheme. The loss of tree numbers is still a concern.

Steve Summerfield (SS) asked about timescales and added that as a new resident to the estate, the renewal process seems to be slow so far. It now seems that imminent timescales seem quick compared to timescales to date.

Elise Muncaster (EM) advised she needs to process the information and look at the map in more detail.

Bianca Bendig-Ceesay (BBC) would like to see more detailed plans, given that Bellwether is no longer due for demolition. How viable are the figures being quoted? We need to sure on this if we go for planning in May.

NH advised that road layout changes are minimal and outlined updated numbers for demolition and newbuild, these figures will be emailed to ERF members. The updated plans have been based on resident and ERF feedback. We are looking to retain the Rowans, not demolish any houses and only demolish some flats.

PW advised that we want to get the right numbers for Fullers Slade and take a viable recommendation to Cabinet, then have a plan of engagement on the estate. We are aiming to progress in a sixth month period from May 2022.

BBC asked if all flats will definitely be demolished? NH advised this has not been confirmed as yet, this will be confirmed as part of the wider viability work for the estate renewal.

Councillor Cherrill suggested there still an enormous piece of work to be carried out and wondered what has been happening the last few months. NH and PW advised work has been carried out taking on board resident feedback and moving plans forward to where they are now.

# Discussion on previous open meeting

DM invited a discussion to feedback on the previous open in-person meeting.

Councillor Cherrill asked three points following the previous Forum meeting:

1. Are the compartmentalisation and gas safety checks taking place as were highlighted at the previous meeting?
2. Is there an update on the Hub?
3. How is the revised Option 3 progressing?

SC responded:

1. SC advised that checks are ongoing, she will obtain a more detailed response for the Forum. *Agreed as an action.*
2. SC advised that she is awaiting an update from Will Rysdale, Head of Housing Delivery at Milton Keynes Council (MKC). ***Post meeting note:*** *the Hub is progressing, a new planning application is required in order for it become useable, however it is repairable and repairs will take place in due course*
3. SC advised that progress is ongoing, Shepheard Epstein Hunter have produced several updated Option 3 designs. Councillor Cherrill suggested that we should be working on one definitive updated proposal not a number of updated options. The Forum discussed the matter and agreed that one deliverable Option 3 is preferred, to include information on what elements can be amended, ready for further consultation on the estate

Elise Muncaster (EM) agreed with Councillor Cherrill that a number of new designs for Option 3 could be confusing and cause challenges on the estate. Perhaps no more than two updated Option 3 designs should be available.

Michelle Calnan (MC) asked if there will be another ballot as an updated design is being produced. SC advised there will not be another ballot as we are not working on a new plan for Fullers Slade, it is an update of Option 3 which was voted on in November 2019.

Steve Summerfield (SS) suggested that one updated Option 3 would be preferred, which could be brought to the ERF in January 2022 before being taken to the wider Fullers Slade estate for consultation.

Councillor Cherrill added it is important that MKC present a viable renewal option, it would be positive if the Forum could meet with Will Rysdale (WR, Head of Housing Delivery at MKC), Stuart Proffitt (SP, Director Environment and Property at MKC) and Nick Hufton (NH, Director at Shepheard Epstein Hunter) prior to a January 2022 meeting. This pre-meeting would be useful to identify what the consensus is for a revised Option 3.

* Terms of Reference Discussion
* Update on Sub-Groups
* Future Meetings Discussion
* Forum Member Questions
* Actions

Elect ERF Vice Chair at the next meeting.

Check on progress of compartmentalisation and gas safety checks on Fullers Slade

* Agree Details of the Next Meeting
* Actions