



MEETING OF THE FORUM

AGENDA

Headington Baptist Church
on Wednesday 8 February 2017 at 7.30 pm

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1. 7.30 Membership and Apologies

To receive apologies from members unable to attend.

2. 7.35 Minutes of the last Meeting

To receive the minutes of the last meeting held on 26 October 2016 and to note any matters arising not otherwise on the agenda.

3. 7.45 Neighbourhood Plan

- (a) Since the last meeting, the City have had the draft plan examined by an independent inspector who has recommended that the Plan, as modified by his recommendations, should now proceed to referendum. He has said:

The Neighbourhood Forum are to be congratulated on such a locally distinctive plan, which confronts the challenges facing the Headington area. Whilst I may have had to make some recommendations that will disappoint the Forum, I have done so only to ensure that the Plan meets its statutory tests which enable me to recommend the Plan goes forward. Notwithstanding the changes I have had to recommend, I am certain that the main thrust of the Submission Version of the Neighbourhood Plan remains.

The Forum will receive the Examiner's report. (copy enclosed with email)

- (b) The Examiner's recommendations have been considered by the Steering Committee, advised by the City Council, and revisions have been made to the draft plan. The Steering Committee advise the Forum that they agree that the main thrust of the plan remains, although some draft policies have been struck from it, and recommend that the Forum further endorse the plan

The Forum will receive the new version of the plan (a copy enclosed with email)

- (c) The Forum will be invited to endorse the Plan in its revised form. This will inform the City Executive Board which will decide whether the plan will go forward to referendum, hopefully in May 2017.

4. 8.15 Community Projects & Policies

Following the last meeting, we would like to focus on some community projects that we can get underway with. We will have a short session on how to best achieve that, deciding which to undertake first. (copy of projects list enclosed with email)

5. 8.45 Successor Body

If the Plan is adopted, the Forum can continue and would particularly be a focus for the community projects and policies as well as promoting the use of the plan. It has previously agreed that a more formal successor body, say a parish council (in the civil sense) might be an appropriate step. We will discuss next steps in this.

6. 9.00 Financial Statement

To receive a report on the finances of the Forum.

7. 9.05 Any other business

(Helpful to know in advance – an urgent/important issue might be better handled earlier in the agenda)