

Martyn Williams Report for LRA meeting on Monday 3rd July 2017

Forward Planning Group

1)-The Local Plan-the initial report by MVDC has now been published (on line at www.futuremolevalley.org or in hard copy from the Council offices). The public have until 12th August to comment on it. The FPG will be considering the report and drafting a response.

2)-Transform Leatherhead-there has been no CRG meeting since the last LRA meeting in May.

The LRA survey of members, as to their support for four key elements of the Transform plan, revealed that LRA members are as strongly against the principles as MVDCs survey results suggested the public is in favour of the principles. The results were published in the recent Newsletter, emailed or delivered to all members and are to be discussed with our M.P. shortly

Church Street-works are well advanced and on schedule to complete at the end of September.

Swan Centre-the proposal to spend some £300k on improvements to the car park and some £900k on improvements to the Centre itself has been approved by the Scrutiny Committee, and the Executive and is now going forward for full Council approval. Approval to spend another £200k on formulating radical new proposals for [additional](#) development on the Centre is also being sought, including 4 new shops.

Riverside-MVDCs proposal to spend £200k drawing up development plans for Claire /James House has been delayed and will now be submitted for approval in the autumn

Bull Hill-MVDC are still considering what commercial space is viable in this location. Discussions with possible traffic consultants have taken place, such that an appointment can be made as soon as possible.

3)-Sustainable Transport Plan-an application to the LEP will be made soon as regards finance for the Randalls Road option. Access to the business park via the drive off Cleeve Road has been agreed in principle.

4)-Parking Consultation-the results of the parking survey have been published and are entirely predictable. There has been no further progress.

5)-Kingston House Gardens-the FPG has heard no more since the end of last year when the owners were reconsidering their proposals.

The LRA Web-site-the site is now largely complete. However work has to be done on the "terms of reference"/"standing orders"/"code of conduct" which are unnecessarily long-winded. The manner in which historic documents are stored and accessed is also too complicated and needs simplifying.