



HOUSING COMMITTEE MEMBER/OFFICER REPORT

NAME OF ORGANISATION/BODY	Stroud District Council
DATE OF LAST MEETING ATTENDED	n/a

BRIEF REPORT: The Former Ship Inn Site, Stonehouse

1. Introduction

The purpose of this report is to update members on the current position with regard to identifying options for the future of this site, further to the approved motion to Council in July last year (CL. 016)

'To request the Head of Property Services to report to Housing Committee by the end of Spring 2023 on options for a suitable use for the former Ship Inn site in Stonehouse that:

- 1. Considers non-housing uses.*
- 2. Builds upon the District Council's Canal Strategy and this Council's previous consultations for all its canal side sites in this area and, in light of the Stonehouse Town Council survey, continues to engage with the community and other stakeholders in exploring potential future uses for the site.*
- 3. Invests any value from the site, if the site is not used for council housing, into affordable housing in the local area.'*

2. Consultants Brief

Since the motion was passed officers and ward members have met with representatives from Stonehouse Town Council and ShiPs and agreed how the parties will work together. Consultants (David Hawes Urban Design partnership) were then approached to prepare a high level brief for exploring potential future uses for the site in accordance with Council's decision. The key stakeholders were then consulted on and are supportive of the approach.

Based on this document DHUD have now set out a proposal for delivering this work(working with other consultants) which includes the following broad areas:

- a) Stakeholder and community engagement and identification of common ground
- b) Identification of strategic opportunities (multi-site approach)
- c) Strategic viability and Delivery Testing
- d) Co-Design of Former Ship Inn site options

3. Programme

The programme proposed by DHUD is set out below, in order to report to Committee, the consultation dates set out will need to be achieved.



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Understanding Common Ground	Stage 1	Inception meeting	27 th March
	Stage (4) report back	Housing Committee report - update	28 th March
	Stage 2	Stakeholder meetings	26 th & 27 th April and 3 rd & 4 th May
	Stage 3	Common Ground Report	19 th May (subject to all stakeholder meetings completed)
	Stage(4) Report back	Summary of common ground report and initial Strategic Design Themes	
Strategic Design	Stage 5	Stakeholder event	25 th May
	Stage 6	Public Event	1 st June
	Stage 7	Strategic Design Optioneering	25 th May start
	Stage 8	Strategic Viability and Delivery Testing draft report	13 th June
	Stage (4) Report back	Summary of common ground report and initial Strategic Design and draft brief for approval - Housing Committee	27 th June

Progressing to next stage will be dependent on Committee approval.

Site Design	Stage 9	Site co-design	June to Sept (workshop early July)
	Stage 10	Site design refinement & Outputs	Sept-Oct
	Stage (4) Report back	Report on draft options for the former Ship Inn Site for Committee approval – Housing Committee	Sept 19th

End of DHUD's current commission

(Note: 'Report back' runs through programme as Stage 4)

Delivery	Commissioning body and funding to be agreed, dependent on the option chosen
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It is, therefore, expected that a summary of the Common Ground report & initial strategic design themes will be reported to the next meeting of this committee at the beginning of June for approval and before any more detailed site design will begin.

FUTURE MEETINGS	June and September Housing Committee
REPORT SUBMITTED BY	Alison Fisk, Head of Property Services
DATE	20 th March 2023