



## Pinewood Working Group Meeting Notes

**Meeting Date: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

**Start Time: 18.02**

**End Time: 19.30**

**Attendees: Trevor Egleton, Wendy Matthews, Chris Jordan, Luisa Sullivan, Carol Gibson, Malcolm Bradford, David Brackin, Ciaran Beary, Graham Young, Andrew Smith, Sara Dutfield, James Bevis, Daniel Gigg, Christine Urry, Alice Williams, Tracey Evans**

### **1. Welcome / Apologies**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the second Pinewood Working Group.

### **2. Highways and Transport Strategy**

An overview of the slide presentation by James Bevis is included with these minutes.

The following points were highlighted in response to questions from the Group:

- Concerns were expressed around the congestion on Church Road and surrounding areas, as they are already over capacity. It was stressed that the modal had taken great detail and is what Buckinghamshire Council Highways authority officers have agreed.
- Park and ride had been investigated but with the modal of 60/40 it is not necessary to meet highways objectives.
- It was acknowledged that three point testing had been looked and that the safety impact had been carried out by an independent body. Every junction in Fulmer had been considered with significant time spent on this.
- It was highlighted that peak impact was due to staff and not visitors. It was highlighted that staff would be encouraged to use public transport. James Bevis suggested that the current travel plan for the Pinewood site would remain the same.
- Chris Jordan enquired about the cycle way down Pinewood Road, on the plan this is



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going to be cut across at 3 points. It was agreed that the route needs to be completed and this is part of the scheme, but cyclists will need to give way to traffic.

- Concerns were raised that the modelling was just around the studio and not wider, Richings Park for instance. PSDS was followed and it was not necessary to cover a wider scope. Visitor traffic patterns will not mirror the current traffic. Very little of the visitor traffic will bleed through the villages. Clear directions to the studios will be signposted to avoid the villages. The modelling agreement is with Highways, if the two major improvements are agreed it will have some material benefits.
- What consideration has been considered regarding pollution on the two parks (Langley and Black Park) nearby. It was reported that this had been taken into account, relevant paragraphs regarding these to be sent to Alice by Sara Dutfield, who will forward to the attendees of the meeting. Hydrogen buses would also be used to take visitors to the attraction.  
**ACTION: Sara Dutfield/Alice Williams**
- It was highlighted that the junction at Black Park Road should be taken into consideration. This will be looked at.
- A Park and Ride scheme was again put forward to alleviate parking spaces on a green belt area.
- If this scheme goes ahead 1000 jobs would be created and it would be a substantial economic development. Commercially this project needs to be a success, so everyone needs to be satisfied.
- Graham Young asked if the traffic modal had looked at the direction visitors will come from, how many people will come from the North on the M25 and South on the M25/M4. It was established this had been looked at hence the 60/40 modal split.
- Wendy Matthews suggested to Andrew Smith that there are various other projects in development with the same economic claim and asked for Pinewood's USP? In response it was highlighted that the industry was performing at a much higher success rate than other sectors with £1 billion and 51 stages being pumped into the studio. 2019 was the second best year for the filming industry and 2021 will be follow that success.



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- It was asked whether visitors would have access to the main site and if they didn't why does the visitor attraction have to be where it is? It was confirmed that visitors would not, and it would be a mock studio which is separate from the main site. The requirement is for the visitor centre to be adjacent to the Pinewood Studio, due to films such as the James Bond stating made in Pinewood, London.
- Can the plan consider making improvements to linking the unofficial paths between Langley and Black Park? Speeding on the A412 is a real course for concern and seriously needs consideration when talking to the Highways department. This was not currently being looked at because is was not directly related to Pinewood.
- There are issues with PC and residents parking on Pinewood Green. Video cameras are observing where this traffic is coming from and where it is going as an ongoing survey.

### **3. Forward Plan**

Mitigation measures in Iver and surrounding areas to be discussed at next meeting.

### **4. Closing Comments / Date of next meeting**

The Chairman thanked everyone for their participation in the meeting.

Date of next meeting: 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020.