

Northstowe/Longstanton Heritage Stakeholder Group (NLHSG)

Updated Terms of Reference

April 2024 (revised)

The NLHSG ('the Group') was established in June 2017 as required by the s106 Agreement for Northstowe Phase 2 to enable all parties with an interest in exploring, preserving and incorporating the heritage in and around the new settlement of Northstowe for the benefit of current and future residents.

The remit of the Group remains to focus on the production of a heritage strategy for Northstowe and to promote the heritage of Northstowe, Longstanton and the surrounding area.

1. Outcomes

The Group will:

- Seek opportunities to display, present and promote the archaeology and heritage of the surrounding area
- Promote heritage and the historic environment as a place making benefit to new and existing residents of Northstowe and the surrounding villages
- Seek to engage with schools and community groups to maximise cooperation
- Support the Longstanton & District Heritage Society in their ambitions for storage and display space

Further outcomes can be agreed by the Group.

2. Membership and Administration

2.1. The NLHSG is jointly convened by, and includes representatives from:

- Cambridgeshire County Council
- Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Team
- Homes England
- Longstanton & District Heritage Society
- Longstanton Parish Council
- Northstowe Town Council
- South Cambridgeshire District Council
- Oakington Parish Council (TBC)

2.2. Representatives from other organisations, including other councils, may be invited to attend where the business of the Group is relevant to their interests.

2.3. The frequency of meetings will be decided by the Group, but will not normally be less than quarterly. Meetings may take place in person or by conference/video call as appropriate.

2.4. The Group is normally chaired by a representative of Cambridgeshire County Council.

2.5. Minutes of Group meetings will be produced and circulated to all group members. Minutes of meetings are public and may be made available by the Group representatives to their members.

2.6. The work of the Group will be publicised by the representative organisations through their regular communications with their members.

2.7. Membership of the Group or participation in its activities does not commit any of the organisations to make any financial contribution to projects or work undertaken by the Group or its members.

3. Remit of the Stakeholder Group

3.1. The purpose of the Group is to provide a forum to share information, support initiatives and develop joint projects on the heritage and historic environment of Northstowe and its environs.

3.2. The Group will input to detailed design in key areas to ensure protection and enhancement of heritage assets on site and in the local area.

3.3. The Group will aim to support delivery of the opportunities for heritage interpretation and engagement to be a defining feature of the development for new residents and existing communities, including within community spaces and public realm.

3.4. The Group will support joined up thinking and coherent approaches to the promotion of heritage opportunities across the local area and work together on sustainable heritage initiatives that support local priorities

3.5. Although the Group will be asked for clear direction and input to its activities, its position will remain advisory to Cambridgeshire County Council.

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