



**William Brookes  
BSF OSP  
Stakeholder Meeting held  
2<sup>nd</sup> February 2010 6pm  
in the School Hall**

**Team Members / Officers in Attendance**

Tim Smith	(TS)	Shropshire Council
David England	(DJE)	Shropshire Council
Richard Roberts	(RCR)	Shropshire Council
Jane Pittaway	(JAP)	Shropshire Council
Neil Myers	(NM)	Kier Moss
Chris Watkins	(CW)	Kier Moss
Emma Williams	(EW)	Kier Moss
Ian Bartlett	(IB)	Shropshire Council
PC Tim Weaver	(TW)	West Mercia Constabulary
Penny Cooper	(PAC)	William Brookes School
Danny Budd	(DB)	OSP Ambassador, William Brookes School
Bradley Fenton	(BF)	OSP Ambassador, William Brookes School
Jonathan Begley	(JB)	OSP Ambassador, William Brookes School

Community Stakeholders  
Approx 50 no (see list attached)

**Apologies**

Norrie Porter

**Agenda**

- Welcome and Introduction
- Progress on Site
  - Report by Contractor  
*Chris Watkins - Project Manager, Kier Moss*
  - The Ambassadors' View  
*OSP Ambassadors*
- School Boundaries
- On the Horizon
- Questions and Suggestions

*Full presentation slides can be found on the school website.*

## Questions

## Action

- 1.0 TS asked CW if the weather had had an impact on the external envelope?  
**Answer: CW – The inside of the building is on programme. The weather has affected work on the outside areas but this is being made up.**
- 1.1 TS asked if the webcam is still in operation?  
**Answer: CW confirmed this was still in operation.**
- 1.2 Resident - Do the OSP ambassadors report back to the school?  
**Answer: DB – We report back at the student council meetings and also report any feedback we receive to CW.**
- 1.3 Resident – Is there the availability for training older students, such as for apprenticeships in the construction industry?  
**Answer: PAC advised all at the meeting that Kier Moss have provided work experience placements for students from Sixth Form and Year 11. Members from the Kier Moss site team have been to the school to give talks to students about construction. NM advised that they do have apprenticeship positions available and that a general operative who is working on site is going through the Kier Foundation degree.**
- 1.4 Resident – Would there be the possibility for temporary placements?  
**Answer: NM – There would be the possibility. TS added that it was important development for 14-19 year olds to enable them to obtain future skills.**
- 1.5 Ann Smith – Can any footwear be worn on the ATP as she had been told that it had to be special footwear?  
**Answer: TS/DJE to look at and formally respond.**

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**Post Meeting Response - ATP** usual footwear would be synthetic turf boots (Astro boots) although training shoes and short stud boots can be worn. No spikes, blades or metal studded boots will be allowed on the surface.

Suitable footwear for the **athletics tracks** includes all forms of running shoe (training shoes through to specialist spikes). No studs or blades are to be worn. Low stud synthetic surface shoes should also be avoided. All footwear worn on the surface must be clean.

## 1.6

### School Boundary/Fences

There was a mixed response to the consultation that was held. TS advised that the responses which had been received had been taken account of.

- The Path from Station Road between the school playing fields and the Gaskell Recreation Ground will remain accessible.
- Whole site would be Weld Mesh fence (2m minimum height).
- ATP – 3.6m ball catch fence has been erected already. The running track has been extended by 2 lanes as the Project Board have responded positively to the Wenlock Olympians' request.

TS - An option that is currently being considered is where there will be the retaining wall by the long jump area and start line, the proposal is to have detachable panels. Approval needed to be sought.

Malcolm (parent of Year 8 student) – Expressed his disappointment with the fencing proposal. He had concern that the wrong messages were going to be portrayed as it was supposed to be a community facility. The existing school doesn't have a boundary fence and Much Wenlock is in a low crime area. This was a very great project which could be spoilt by the fencing. Additionally he asked where the children would play?

***Answer: PAC responded that the students do not go onto the Gaskell Fields for recreational play at present so the boundaries will be exactly the same as they are currently. There are many areas within the design where the students will be able to play informally and socialise i.e. the large area of hard standing, multi use play area, grass areas curriculum gardens and wildlife areas which are all much better facilities than what is in place currently.***

TS asked PC Tim Weaver for the need for putting a fence around the boundary?

***Answer: TW – Secured by Design is a national standard which has been set to obtain a certain standard not only with fencing but with intruder alarms and window design for example. Secured by Design set guidelines. The fence type selected will be the least intrusive. There was a need to create a site that was safe and ensure the assets are secure.***

## 1.7

Malcolm - Much Wenlock Bowling Club – What time will the Leisure Centre close as the bowling club does not finish until 10pm and on a Friday evening the Leisure centre closes and 9pm?

**Answer: PAC advised there would not be much change from what there is at present. Special arrangements will be considered for the clubs and a separate discussion will take place.**

1.8 Will there be any lighting down the Linden Field footpath?  
**Answer: DJE – There will not be any lighting down the footpath.**

1.9 Reg Dixon – Resident of Farley Road – If the Station Road footpath is to stay open then where/who will have access points?  
**Answer: DJE – There will be shared access points. There is a kissing gate at the bottom of Windmill Hill which gives access onto Farley Road.**

1.10 Peter Thompson – Wenlock Olympian Society – We are not working to local standards, we are having to work to national standards. The prison comment came from the images that were shown of a Birmingham school and we believe that this project can be better than that.

Will there be access onto the sports area from the athletics store which is used by the society and school?

**Answer: DJE/TS - There are various double gates located around the ATP which will be used for this.**

Safety aspects for events – will there be access for an ambulance at all times?

**Answer: There will be access across the ATP through the double gates at the south of the site, in addition to maintenance and emergency vehicular access from the main car park.**

If there are restrictions on footwear for the ATP then the Wenlock Olympians will need to know this information ASAP. The entry forms are published a week on Monday.

**Answer: DJE – will check and confirm back (see 1.5).**

**DJE**

1.11 Will the car park be ready before July?  
**Answer: A presentation will be shown later which will identify phasing.**

1.12 M Dixon – Resident on Farley Road – Is there access to the sports centre from Station Road instead of using the main Farley Road?  
**Answer: PAC/DJE – Yes there will be controlled access through an intercom system at times. Further internal discussions regarding access are being held which will confirm detailed arrangements.**

1.13 Mrs Shields – Is there a shorter distance to the sports centre without walking all the way around?  
**Answer: There are other routes but these are via**

***managed entrances, as mentioned previously.***

- 1.14 John Tuer – Wenlock Tree Forum – The trees are a protected species and are very valuable. There is a requirement to protect the trees as much as possible; will there be the option to use the car park when using the Gaskell Field?  
***Answer: Will be able to use the car park, with managed access through the WBS site, when possible.***
- 1.15 Lesley Durban – It looks like there is fencing through the trees and there are protected species. Visually how will the service yard look with all the refuse bins?  
***Answer: DJE –Protected species are being looked after. There will be a screen erected and also the area will be landscaped.***
- 1.16 Resident – What type of hedging is going to be used because some grow quickly and also high. What type of fence is going to be used where there is hedging?  
***Answer: DJE- Will speak to the landscape architect. Generally, the hedges are being used to divide the curriculum garden areas so that external teaching spaces are created.***
- 1.17 Long route around – is this because the service area will be busy - will vehicle use and people walking not be a good idea?  
***Answer: This has been taken into consideration.***
- 1.18 Martin – Corner of the rugby pitch is very wet. Is there any additional drainage going in this area?  
***Answer: There is land drainage being installed and also a large attenuation tank underground, this will discharge at a controlled rate.***
- 1.19 Tim Pinches – Mayor of Much Wenlock – Will there be no public access to the Leisure Centre during the day?  
***Answer: PAC -There will be access provided for key organised user groups during the day. This would have to be in accordance with the school timetable and when the individual facilities are not being used by the School.***
- 1.20 Drainage – The Flood Forum is concerned about the amount of water that is going to be discharged from site and that the outlet might be too small.  
***Answer: The outlet size is the same and there is an attenuation tank which will discharge the water at a certain rate. TS – We are looking at the Gaskell Field with Lesley Durban and the Town Council with a view to having better facilities by enhancing the drainage.***

1.21 Mrs Shields – Will the school and swimming pool out of hours have an intercom system at both gates?  
**Answer: Outside of normal school hours, the main car park will be open, along with a pedestrian route from Farley Road, providing direct access to all open reception points. Pedestrian access from the path between the Gaskell Recreation Ground and the School site will be through locked and managed gates, which will have intercom points.**

1.22 Mike Norrey – Resident – The newly laid “grass” surface by the playing fields – will this be able to be played on at any time? It was advised earlier that special footwear would be needed to use that surface.  
**Answer: TS – Need to speak to the specialist and seek their advice. (See item 1.5)**

Agree with Malcolm view that the fencing is over the top and that it hasn't been given sufficient thought. What happens when it gets damaged or vandalised?

**Answer: TW – There is a need to differentiate between fencing types as what is being provided on this scheme is sectional, very robust and very hard to cut.**

**TS – If maintenance needs to be carried out then it will be restricted to a small section of the fencing.**

1.23 **Site Phasing**

NM – School will decant into the new building in July and during the summer holiday.

Tony Jones from Homestead - Speed restrictions – Raised concerns regarding speed restrictions down Farley Road.

**TS - This is a Highways issue which would have to be considered separately from this particular project.**

A large amount of material generated from the demolition of the existing school will be recycled.

1.24 Kay Hadley – Local Resident raised concern about how many vehicles were being parked at Sytche Close and how inconsiderate the parking was. At the end of the meeting she advised she would hand photographs and registration numbers to CW. **CW advised that this will be dealt with and had already spoken to Kay Hadley before the meeting.**

1.25 Resident – How will the grand piano be moved? It needs a specialist.  
**Answer: NM advised that Kier are employing a specialist removal company and this will be addressed with them separately.**

1.26 Reg Dixon – In the next phase when the building is going to be demolished, what precautions are going to be taken with regards to asbestos and dust?

***Answer: NM – Before any of the building is demolished a specialist asbestos contractor will be appointed to strip out the building of asbestos, in accordance with current legislation. When the building is being demolished there will be damping down procedures in place and the demolition will be carried out by an appointed specialist contractor.***

### **Stakeholder Attendees**

Donald Young  
Gerry Bowden  
Jacqui Carter  
Gail Hudson  
Mr Mumford  
Brian Davies  
Mr & Mrs P & G Farrell  
Robert Sharrock  
Garry Jones  
Tom Thompson  
Malcolm Gribbin  
Eric Humphries  
Robert Stuart  
David Turner  
Tim Pinches  
Lesley Durbin  
Milner Whiteman OBE  
Linda Monteith  
Ian Bartlett  
Dave Hinves  
Chris Dirkin  
Diana Cavalier  
Joyce & Stephen Pridmore  
Helen Cromarty  
Peter Thompson  
Jeffrey & Gill Davis  
Ian Dadswell  
Stuart Lippitt  
Tim Weaver  
Steven Hall

Martin Jones  
Liz Thomas  
Claire Wild  
Danny Budd  
Bradley Fenton  
Jonathan Begley  
Annie Smith  
Trevor Childs  
Jennifer Collier  
Reg Dixon  
Mr & Mrs K A Horton  
Tony Jones  
B R Long  
Mr & Mrs Moore  
Sue Nicolaides  
Rachel & J Norbury  
Mr Derek & Mrs Vyvyan Norrey  
M Norrey  
Sheena Taylor