



# Welcome to EGM

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# Agenda

- Apologies
- Update of work of forum
- LCC revised site allocation plans
- How this affects Garforth
- Public consultation
- Q&A
- The next tasks and how you can help
- AOB

# Update on work of forum

- Drop in session
- All sub groups seeking information on impact the proposals will have on Garforth
- Additional Parish Council subgroup
- Meetings with Aberford Parish Counsellors re the Garforth Boundary
- Meetings with other Parish Counsellors re housing allocations
- Grant
- Professional support

# Background to LCC core strategy

**Leeds City Council has done considerable work in producing their Local Development Framework (LDF) Core Strategy**

- **Early drafts released in February 2012**
- **Statutory public enquiries in Oct 2013 and March 2014**
- **Adoption of the LDF in Nov 2014.**
- **Recent review of housing numbers at Development Plans Panel 19th March following release of new ONS population statistics**

**It is important that in order to comply with the National Planning and Policy Framework (NPPF) that we have a LDF for Leeds but it is equally important that we have one that is based on objectively assessed need and is proportional to the individual communities of Leeds and includes sustainable infrastructure development.**

# Background site alloc process

Important to note that the Site Allocation process is separate to the Core Strategy based on delivering the Housing numbers identified in the Core Strategy. The Site Allocations process is the means of determining where new development should and will be located.

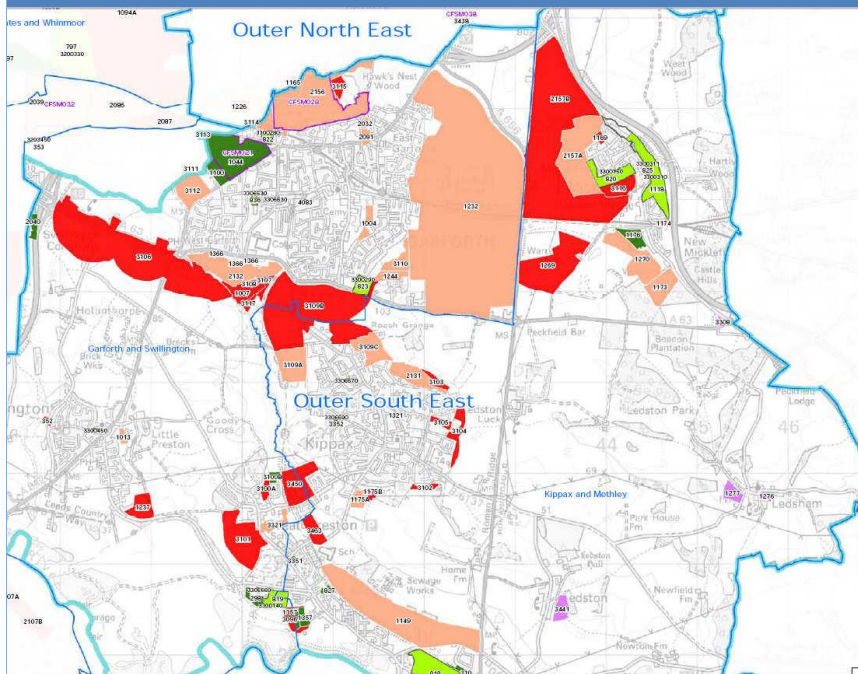
- **First an Issues and Options plan of proposed sites issues in June 2013 with public consultation**
- **A further review of potential sites with Ward councillors, which included land owners and developers but not local residents took place in the second half of 2014 and a revised list was produced.**
- **Recommendation from development plans panel 13th January to Council Executive to approve initial site allocation approach with Council approval on 14/01/2015**
- **Development Plans panel meeting 19/05/2015. Initial phasing paper approved and recommended to Board**
- **Additional sites included in other HMCA including 5000 houses on greenbelt in Outer North East.**

# 2015 Revised site allocations

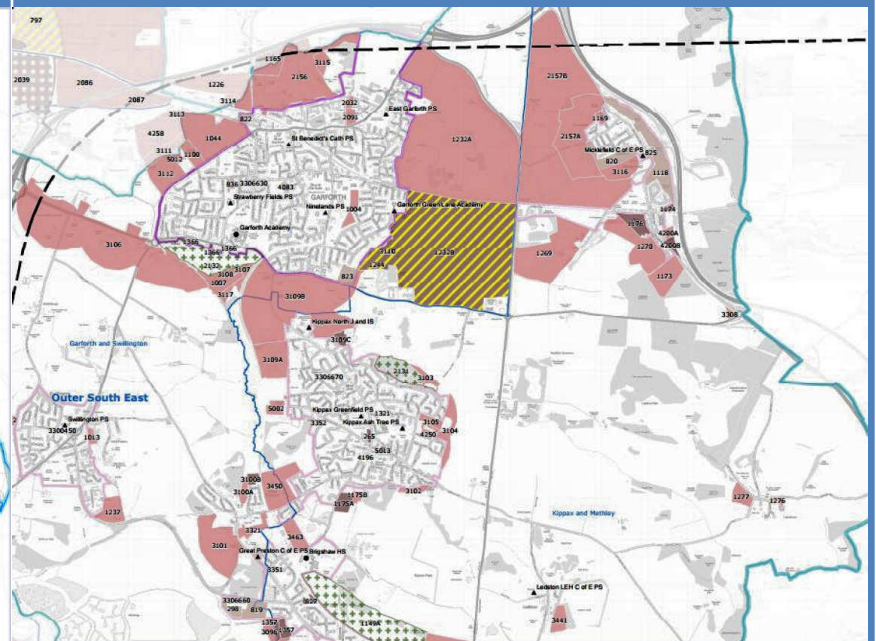
- Housing including PAS land
- Retail
- Employment
- Greenspace

# Housing

First Plan



Second Plan





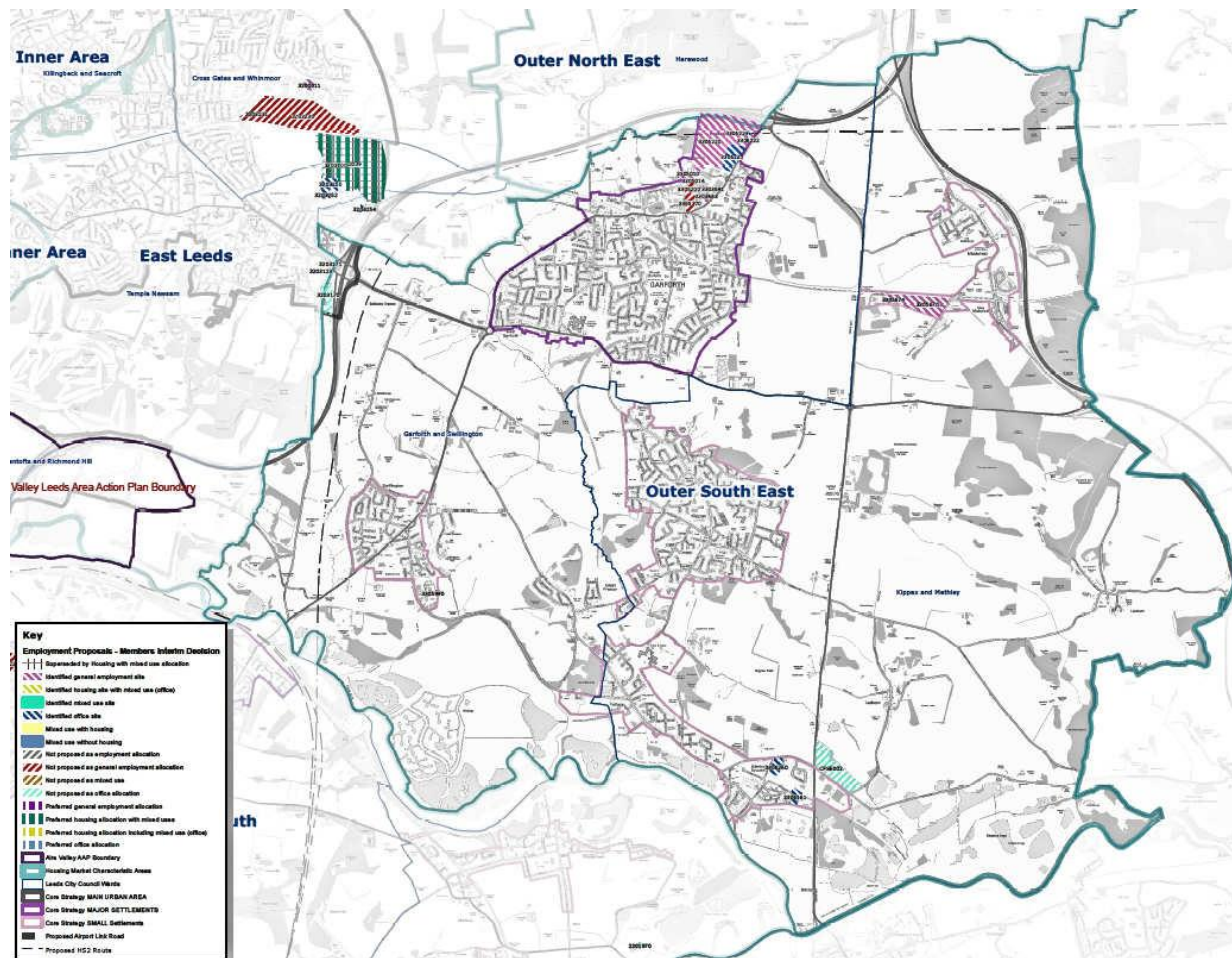
# Garforth Boundaries





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# Employment

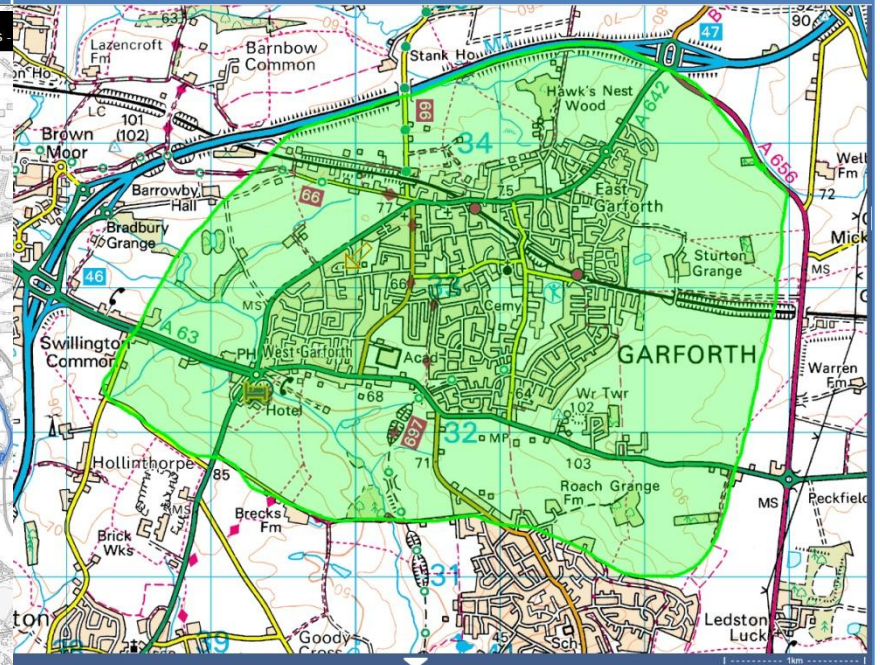
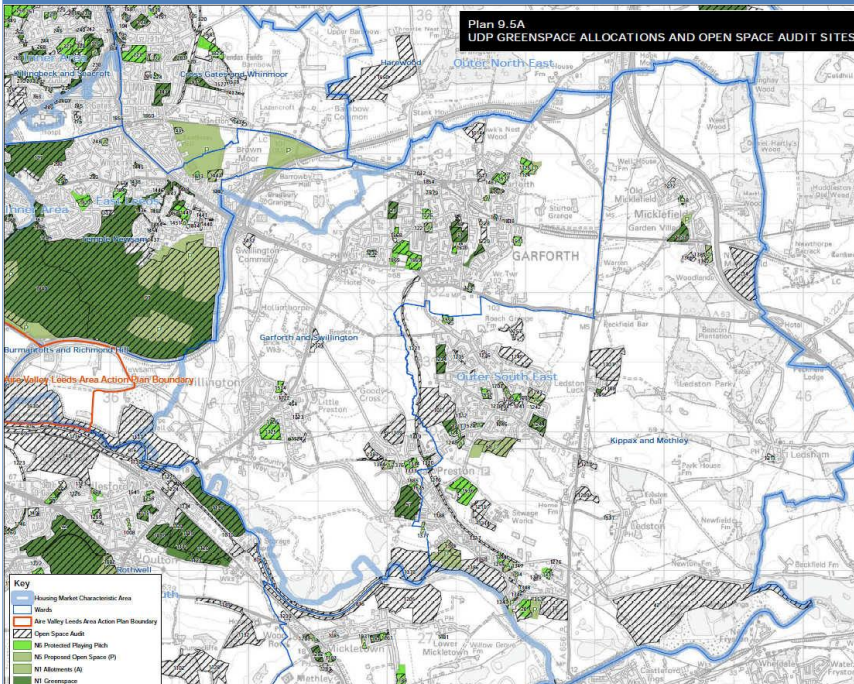




# Green space and Green belt

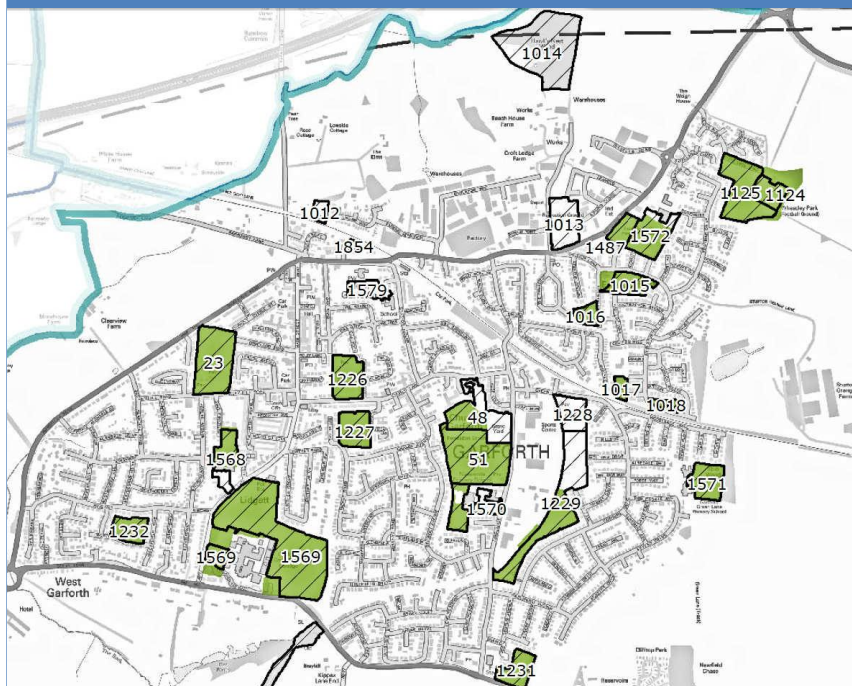
LCC Greenspace Map

One Kilometre Greenbelt

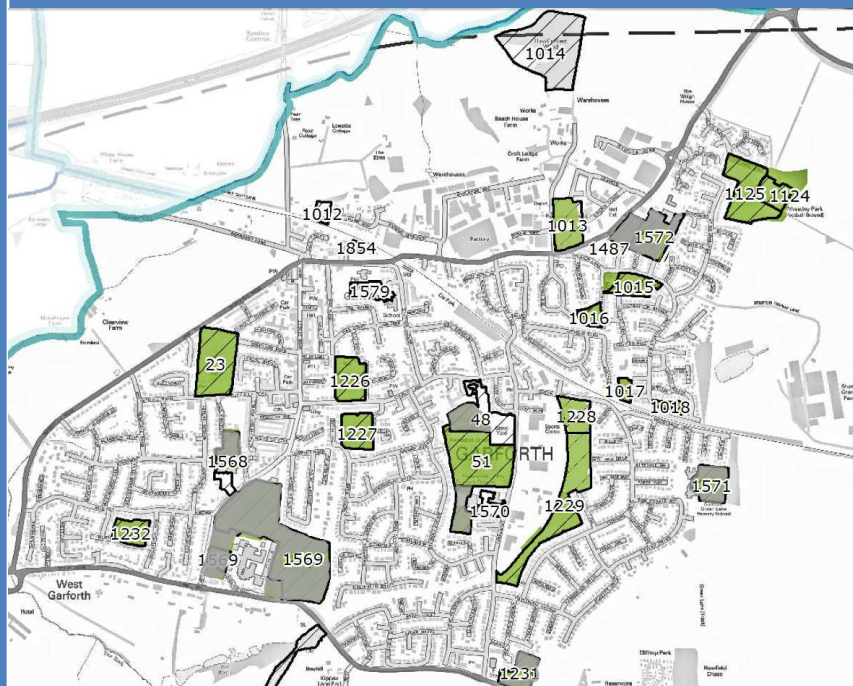


# Garforth Greenspace

## Including School Fields



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# Garforth's Green space allocation

( adapted from Outer South East Market Characteristic Area)

Type	Actual Ha	Standard Ha /1000	Population x Standard	Shortfall Ha
Parks and Gardens	8.471	1.000	15.000	6.529
Amenity Greenspace	2.535	0.450	6.750	4.215
Allotments	2.391	0.240	3.600	1.209
Natural Greenspace	3.185	2.000	30.000	26.815
	16.582	3.690	55.350	<b>38.768 Ha</b>

# How does this affect Garforth!

- Loss of green belt and high grade agricultural land
- Existing inadequate infrastructure further compromised( roads and drains )
- Oversubscribed schools and medical services
- Housing numbers unrealistic for site and likelihood of using PAS land opposite Gaping Goose
- Contribute to urban sprawl
- No guarantee that development will meet local needs



# Outer SE allocations

Area	Identified Housing Site	Housing Allocation	Total
Kippax	22	154 (5.5%)	176
Garforth	198	2314 (83%)	2512
Micklefield	564	139 (5%)	703
Allerton Bywater	392	139 (5%)	531
Colton	69	0	69
Swillington	14	0	54
Great Preston		40 (0.5%)	
total	1259	2786	4045

# Next steps in site process

- Leeds city council site allocations planning team continues to develop sustainability scoring on each proposed site
- Development plans panel met **yesterday** with final list of sites to be approved for recommendation to board
- Executive Board approval in June / July
- Site Allocation Public Consultation – currently expected in Autumn 2015 for 6 weeks
- Statutory Public Enquiry in front of an Inspector following consultation – probably in January / Feb 2016
- Potential appeal of decision .....

# LCC site allocation housing

- Total number of houses required is 74,000 based on Office of Statistics ONS census figures from 2008 and a very “aspirational” jobs forecast.
- reduced by demolitions and 8,000 houses to be delivered by windfall sites under 5 houses in number to 66,000.
- The latest ONS housing statistics based on 2012 data suggest that Leeds requires 44,000 houses gross, however the figure is not to be revised
- In the latest Site Allocation plan Outer South East is planned to have development of 4045 houses. This is made up of 1259 already with planning permission, a further 2786 which is new housing allocation of which 2,300 are in Garforth (41% )
- The Core Strategy Housing target for the Outer South East is 4600 houses which means we still have a shortfall of identified sites of 555 which have yet to be decided.

# Options

- Do nothing!
- Oppose these proposals
- Determine housing and infrastructure needs
- Consider other sites
- Propose a new settlement

# Q&A session

# Next steps

- Each sub group to investigate the statistics quoted in support of the proposals
- Consult all of Garforth – Survey
- Respond to the 4 proposed plans: housing , greenspace, retail and employment
- Encourage as many residents as possible to respond to the public consultations in the autumn



# How you can help

- Delivering leaflets
- Information gathering from LCC and other government and planning websites
- Communication with social and other media
- Membership secretary
- Archiving/record keeping

*To share the work new subgroups could be formed reporting to the steering group*

# AOB

- Constitution Mike Dando is looking into this
- **Please** will you sign up to help us
- Individuals prepare to respond to public consultations
- Date of AGM

Thank you

## Constitution of **Proposed** Garforth Neighbourhood Planning Forum

### 1.0 Name and Area

- 1.1 The name of the Forum shall be the Garforth Neighbourhood Planning Forum.
- 1.2 The area covered by the Forum shall be the area as shown on the attached map, known as the Garforth Neighbourhood Planning Area. ← **add a map**

### 2.0 Aims and Objectives

- 2.1 The aims and objectives of the Neighbourhood Forum are to:
- a) Promote and improve the social, economic and environmental well-being of **the Garforth Neighbourhood Planning Area**;
  - b) Undertake ~~the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan for Garforth from inception through to adoption of the Plan;~~ <sup>Planning</sup>
  - c) Identify ways, in consultation with relevant authorities and organisations, of involving the whole community and gathering, analysing and presenting their views and opinions to ensure the Plan is as comprehensive and inclusive as possible;
  - d) Take responsibility for planning, budgeting and monitoring expenditure <sup>of neighbourhood</sup> ~~on the production of the Neighbourhood Plan,~~ including identifying possible sources of funding; <sub>planning work</sub>
  - e) Ensure ~~the Garforth Neighbourhood Plan~~ <sup>that its neighbourhood planning work</sup> conforms with local and national planning policies;
  - f) Ensure ~~the Forum~~ <sup>that its neighbourhood planning work</sup> shall not be affiliated to any political party or organisation;
  - g) Continue working for an improved Garforth and continue the Forum as deemed necessary beyond ~~the adoption of the Neighbourhood Plan.~~ <sup>any formal neighbourhood planning activity.</sup>
  - h) Preservation of Green Belt land within the **Neighbourhood Planning Area**, wherever possible. <sub>area of Garforth</sub>

### 3.0 Powers

- 3.1 In pursuance of these aims and objectives, the Neighbourhood Forum will:
- a) <sup>Undertake neighbourhood planning</sup> ~~Produce a Neighbourhood Plan~~ on behalf of the community within the designated boundary referred to in Section 1.2;
  - b) Maintain a Forum website giving details of the Forum, including a map of **the Garforth** Neighbourhood Planning Area, the contact details of the Chair and Secretary, this Constitution and policies agreed by the Forum, notices, agendas and minutes of meetings;
  - <sup>new</sup> c) Undertake any other neighbourhood planning or more general Town and Country Planning activity considered appropriate in order to provide for the proper planning of the area of Garforth.

- c) Organise at least four Open (public) Meetings or other equivalent events per year, including an Annual General Meeting (AGM), to which all Forum members will be invited;
- d) Raise money or apply for funding as necessary;
- e) Contract with professionals or recruit volunteers;
- f) Buy or rent premises/equipment/employ services as required;
- g) Conduct research;
- h) Work in partnership with different organisations;
- i) Carry out anything else within the law necessary to reach the group's aims and objectives.

#### 4.0 Values

- 4.1 The Forum and its Steering Group members aim to follow the 'Nolan Principles' of public life. That is, they aim to act with:

- Selflessness
- Integrity
- Objectivity
- Accountability
- Openness
- Honesty

and seek to promote these values by leadership and example.

- 4.2 The Forum is committed to equality of opportunity and maintains and applies an Equal Opportunities Policy in all of its activities.

*do we have a written policy?*

#### 5.0 Annual General Meetings (AGM)

- 5.1 Each AGM will be held within three months of the designated end of the financial year.
- 5.2 The agenda for each AGM will include:
- a) Consideration of any business announced in the AGM agenda;
  - b) Consideration of the Annual Report of work done by the Forum;
  - c) Election of a Steering Group of no fewer than 7 and no more than 11 members who will work as described in this Constitution to run the business of the Forum and to make decisions on its behalf between AGM's (see Section 6.0);
  - d) Submission and adoption of independently examined accounts for the Forum, consisting of a statement of income and expenditure and a balance sheet for the previous financial year;



- e) A review of the rules and policies of the Forum, including of this Constitution and the Equal Opportunities Policy.

## 6.0 The Steering Group

- 6.1 A Steering Group will be appointed at the Forum's AGM, which will be responsible for the day to day business of the Forum and will meet at least 6 times a year.
- 6.2 The Steering Group will comprise no fewer than 7 and no more than 11 members, the majority of whom will be voting members of the Forum and be resident in the Neighbourhood Area. *Garforth*
- 6.3 The Steering Group will appoint a Forum Chair, Secretary and Treasurer at its first meeting and thereafter at the AGM.
- 6.4 The Steering Group may co-opt up to 3 additional members who will retire at each AGM.
- 6.5 The quorum for any Steering Group meeting shall be at least 60% of Steering Group members.
- 6.6 Notification of Steering Group agenda will be sent out at least 7 days before the date of the meeting to all Steering Group members.
- 6.7 The Steering Group may dismiss any Steering Group member at a Steering Group meeting at which this is an agenda item if two thirds of Steering Group members present vote to do so.
- 6.8 Any Steering Group member absent for three consecutive meetings, with no acceptable explanation or apologies, will be deemed to be dismissed / retired and the next Steering Group meeting will be informed of any dismissal / retirement.
- 6.9 The Steering Group will set up such sub-groups as are deemed necessary to consider issues as they arise. These subgroups will seek additional input from appropriately informed members of the General Forum and/or recommended consultants where necessary. All sub-groups will report back to the Steering Group for ratification of any decisions reached.

## 7.0 Rules at Meetings

- 7.1 The following rules apply to all meetings, including Open Meetings, Steering Group Meetings and the AGM:
- a) Chairing – each meeting has a chair. The chair of the meeting ensures that the business of the meeting is transacted in an orderly and respectful way.
  - b) Decision Making – the Forum endeavours to make decisions by consensus, but in the case of a vote: decisions are made by simple majority of those present and entitled to vote. When the vote is tied, the chair of the meeting has a second, casting, vote.
  - c) Speaking – all members are entitled to speak at meetings and, at Open Meetings, all members of the public are entitled to speak. The chair of the meeting has the power to impose time limits on speeches.