

# Walkeringham Neighbourhood Plan

# NHP Steering Group Meeting

# **MINUTES**

20 June 2019 7.30pm Walkeringham Village Hall Committee Room

Present: C Howard (Chair), A Hayward, M Dilly, D Johnson, G Oxley, S Spencer I Heath, S Beard, P Hooton, M Vessey, and H Metcalfe (planning consultant)

#### 1. Chairman's comments

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. He commented that the public responses to the consultation had been positive overall.

#### 2. Apologies for absence

J Roberts, C Ferguson and M Vessey

#### 3. Declarations of Interest

P Hooton – NP07 (pecuniary interest, own land)

M Dilly – NP17 & 18 (non-pecuniary. These are owned by the village hall and both are members of the committee)

C Howard – NP13 (non-pecuniary)

## 4. Reg. 14 Feedback and Proposed Amendments/Issues of Significance

H Metcalfe had summarised the feedback received from consultees including statutory consultees and had compiled a list of suggested amendments based on the feedback. Due to Highways comments it was recommended that the The Lilacs, Caves Lane be removed from the allocated sites list. This meant that all sites along Caves Lane had now been removed as a result of feedback from Highways and/or BDC. There were some discussions about the Brickyard site. H Metcalfe recommended that the group considers taking it out of the plan as it would necessitate the production of a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) to be carried out by either the developers or possibly the group. It was agreed to exclude it from the plan as this had the potential of considerably delaying its progress. Minor changes to some of the other polices were discussed and agreed. Overall the group was happy with the recommend changes and instructed H. Metcalfe to amend the plan accordingly. It was agreed to post a summary of the findings and recommend changes as a result of the consultation on to the website as soon as possible. The draft plan would be published once the agreed amendments had been made.



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## 5. Stawson's Proposal

C Howard reported that representatives from Strawson had asked for a meeting regarding the Millbaulk Road planning application. They were looking to reduce the number of dwellings from 46 to 9. In view of this they have asked would the Steering Group consider including it in the plan? C Howard agreed to report back to the Group. After some discussion it was agreed that the site could not be put in the plan at this late stage. It would necessitate going through the site assessment and various consultations again. Further, the group felt that enough sites had been put forward and this site was not required to fulfil the required numbers set by BDC.

## 6. <u>Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening and Implications of Brickwork</u> Site

H Metcalfe to seek clarification as to whether or not a SEA is required now that the Brickworks site had been removed as a policy. It was possible that other screening may need to be carried out. H Metcalfe to report back

# 7. Review Policies (not covered above)

All discussed above.

#### 8. Significant Green Gaps

Some corrections and amendments to the maps had been identified via the consultation and per W Wilson's (BDC) recommendations. W Wilson would amend once agreed and the forward to H Metcalfe.

#### 9. Understanding Infill Development

H Metcalfe explained that infill developments comes from the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). Essentially a proposal of one or two dwellings may be allowable regardless of whether they are in the NP. However, there can be constraints imposed by adding a policy in the NP. It was agreed that H Metcalfe draft such a policy.

#### 10. Sustainability Appraisal

A Hayward understood that AECOM does not produce sustainability appraisals. H Metcalfe will make enquiries into other possible providers. She could produce one if necessary but preferred not to due to current workload/time constraints.

## 11. What Happens Next

H Metcalfe to revise the plan in light of amendments discussed. A consultation statement would need to be written (basically a story of what consultation has been carried out to date). C Howard to draft this. H Metcalfe



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to do the SEA screening and send to BDC and draft a Basic Conditions Statement.

The final steps will be that plan is submitted to BDC who will review and then appoint an Examiner. There will be a further consultation on the plan and feedback analysed and acted on before finally going to referendum.

Date of next meeting to be agreed.	
C Howard, Chair	