

MINUTES FROM NDP MEETING – 7pm CHURCH HOUSE
9th May 2019

Attendance: Mike Hobbs **MH**; Peter Male **PM**; Keith Baker **KB**; Rob Humphries **RH**
Tom Wheeldon **TW** (Volunteer Secretary)

Apologies: Georgina Kelly **GK**; Julie Wheeldon **JW**;

Other Attendees: NIL

The Chairman **MH** called the meeting to order.

MH informed the meeting that Greg Hall has been considered as having stood down from membership of the NDPG. Greg has previously forwarded apologies of absence from a number of meetings, and has not attended a formal group meeting since 22nd January 2019. **MH** commented that Greg has offered his support to the group going forward should his services be required. The NDPG thank Greg for his work since 2015 on the production of the Abbots Bromley Parish Neighbourhood Plan and welcome his offer of support in the future.

1. Consultant update

JW provided an update for inclusion in the minutes. The nominated Consultant has been informed of the decision to engage his services in supporting the PC and the NDPG to create a fully representative, robust and compliant NDP.

The Consultant is currently reviewing the earlier 2015-2018 evolving Draft Plan and his report / recommendations is anticipated in a few days time.

Following receipt of the review the NDPG will be in a better position to formulate a positive way forward. This will be much needed guidance to the NDPG, and should give confidence to everyone that production of the parish NDP will soon recommence in earnest.

2. 'Locality' Funding

RH briefed that the 'Locality' funding portal is still not open. Indications are that it will open shortly. All preparations have been made to present the funding application one we have the indication to go ahead.

3. NDP Policy Sub headings

KB presented the following sub headings for consideration by the group.

- HOUSING NEEDS (numbers, design, appearance, density...)
- FUTURE-PROOFING HOUSE DESIGN
- QUIET LANES (mental and physical well-being)
- TOURISM
- BROADBAND + MOBILE SIGNAL
- PROTECTING HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT (burbage plots, strip farming, shooting butts, lanes, hedgerows etc)
- PROTECTING NATURAL ENVIRONMENT (open spaces, trees etc)
- GREEN SPACES
- TRAFFIC AND PARKING
- PUBLIC PARKING

- NON-DESIGNATED LOCAL HERITAGE ASSETS (See Denstone NDP)
- KEY LANDSCAPE VIEWS
- OPEN SPACES (bowling green, play areas, tennis courts, village green, school playing fields etc)
- FLOODING

Some of these headings appear in the 2015-2018 evolving Draft Plan and will be reworked as appropriate.

The above list is not exhaustive and is open for further inclusion/omission.

The process of producing Strategic Objectives (and the Identification of Policies to support those Objectives) will be discussed in more detail with the Consultant in due course.

Public opinion will be sought at all times, as this is 'key' to ensuring that the NDP is inclusive and robust to scrutiny.

4. NDPG (Public Session) 6th June 2019

MH brought the attention to the upcoming NDPG (Public Session).

The group members present considered that the Public Session will be an appropriate occasion to discuss the progress made thus far, and to explore the findings/recommendations from the professional Consultant referred to at sub para 1) above.

ACTION: TW to post a notice of the June 2019 Public Session in the June Parish News.

ACTION: ALL to consider an appropriate poster for the 6th June 2019 (Public Session).

ACTION: TW to distribute posters around village notice boards.

5. Agenda, date and time of next meeting

These minutes will inform the items for the next Agenda.

ACTION: MH to produce Agenda and distribute for comment at least 48hrs before the next meeting.

All **ACTION** points to be processed. If there are any problems in completing **ACTION's** get in touch with the committee for assistance ASAP.

Next meeting: 16th May 2019 – 7pm – Church House

ACTION: TW to book the room.

**THE NEXT PUBLIC SESSION WILL BE ON THURSDAY 6th JUNE 2019
7pm CHURCH HOUSE.**

THE TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION WILL BE:

'REVIEW AND NEXT STEPS'