

MINUTES FROM NDP MEETING – 7pm CHURCH HOUSE
13th June 2019

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

Apologies: Mike Hobbs **MH**; Georgina Kelly **GK**;

Other Attendees: Mr David Eatough

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

The main purpose of the meeting was to:

- Receive an update on progress with the submitted 'Locality' funding application.
- Collate all responses from the previous programmed NDPG 'Public Session' meetings, in order for all details to be forwarded to the Consultant for an initial 'overview'.

Ahead of business

From his position as a Parent representative, Mr David Eatough kindly offered an update of the potential transfer to new ownership of the Abbots Bromley Independent School.

Whilst the NDPG are not in a position to comment on the situation, they are nonetheless grateful to Mr Eatough for providing an update.

The NDPG wishes everyone well in coming to a satisfactory decision/conclusion in relation to these important discussions.

1. Minutes from 6th June 2019

The Draft Minutes of 6th June 2019 had been accepted earlier as a true and accurate record. The Approved minutes have already been forward for uploading to the NDP website.

2. Locality funding update

- a. **KB** The recently submitted external funding application had been met with an enquiry by Dave Chapman ('Locality' - Technical Support) to discuss the potential for the NDPG to receive additional Technical support for the process of producing the Draft NDP.

KB Explained the background to our HNA initiative to Mr Chapman, highlighting areas such as Site assessments; the possibility of allocating more than the stipulated 40 units as directed in the ESBC Local Plan (2012-2031); and that we are interested in the potential for Affordable Housing provision - not necessarily now but perhaps before 2031. **KB** also stressed the desire for the NDPG to have an 'Independently judged' HNA.

Mr Chapman indicated his opinion that the NDPG intended requirements would probably be eligible for Technical Support. He undertook to arrange a communication between the NDPG and AECOM for Thursday 20th June 2019.

(AECOM provide Technical support on behalf of 'Locality')

- b. **KB** added that he had already received a follow up confirmatory Email from AECOM Consultancy to discuss progress of Technical support as indicated above.

ACTION: **KB** to set out HNA discussion topics to help with upcoming discussions with AECOM.

From the 'Locality' Technical Support guidance documentation:

Housing Needs Analysis not only provides the Qualifying Body (QB) with a specific number supported by a clearly set out method and data sources, but goes much further by drilling down in to the particular requirements of the 'community' considering specific needs eg:

- *Affordable housing.*
- *How this should be split into different tenures, type and size of dwellings required to develop a 'housing stock' that is aligned with community needs (and the needs of specialist groups).*

AECOM has produced pioneering work looking at housing for the elderly and can help QB's where their area faces an ageing population.

Typically, the level of support given will:

- Assure a robust, independent study providing clarity as to housing demand that is consistent with Planning Practice Guidance.
- Provision of a substantial evidence base drawing on Primary and Secondary data sources.
- Recommend Policy options suited to meeting community 'need' relating to housing type and tenure

NDPG Note:

It is important to understand, that any decision to establish future development within the parish (and more specifically within the main conurbation of Abbots Bromley) must meet with rigorous scrutiny of the available data and evidenced community need.

The earlier work undertaken to produce a quality 'made' Draft NDP fell short of meeting this fundamental requirement.

The NDPG are committed to following established National and Borough guidelines, whilst representing community opinion for the creation of an effective and robust Draft Plan.

3. Consultant update

Discussion followed to discuss how best to gather the public feedback/data gathered by the group since they received PC permission to proceed in September 2018.

All of this information has been presented in the respective Approved minutes of meetings with the public.

Together with the data obtained during the evolving Draft Plan study 2015-2018 all information to date will therefore be communicated to the Consultant for his consideration/guidance.

ACTION: **JW** Contact Urban Vision Consultants to start an early dialogue for the passage of information prior to the anticipated 'Locality' funding approval.

4. General discussion

ACTION: RH to forward Design/Conservation update contained in the earlier evolving Draft Plan to TW.

ACTION: JW to contact Ros Robb to obtain information for the Housing design study that she conducted on behalf of the earlier NDP committee.

ACTION: TW Contact Naomi Perry ESBC Planning for advice on Article4 'local listing' of identified local heritage assets that are not already formally categorised as 'Listed'.

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: 20th June 2019 – 7pm – Church House

ACTION: TW to book the room.

IN ORDER FOR THE NDPG TO MAKE PROGRESS WITH THE INFORMATION TO HAND, THE NEXT PUBLIC SESSION WILL BE ADVISED IN DUE COURSE.

RESIDENTS ARE REMINDED THAT THEY ARE WELCOME TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE NDPG AT ANY TIME BY CONTACTING THE PARISH CLERK, OR THE NDPG SECRETARY, CALLANDER HOUSE, BAGOT STREET, AB, WS15 3DA.