

MINUTES FROM NDP MEETING – 11am Church House
24th September 2019

Attendance: Peter Male **PM**; Keith Baker **KB**; Julie Wheeldon **JW**;

Apologies: Mike Hobbs **MH**; Georgina Kelly **GK**; Rob Humphries **RH**;

Other Attendees: Naomi Perry **NP** (ESBC Principle Planning Policy Officer); Dave Chetwyn **DC** (Urban Vision Consultant); Karen Haywood **KH** (Parish Councillor); Tom Wheeldon **TW** (Volunteer Secretary).

“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 NDPG are committed to following established National and Borough guidelines, whilst representing community opinion for the creation of an effective and robust Neighbourhood Plan”

1. Background

Recent NDPG activities associated with production of the Draft Abbots Bromley Parish Neighbourhood Plan (NP) were the subject of this meeting.

The meeting was arranged for the daytime in order to facilitate attendance from the ESBC Planning Dept, and the Urban Vision Consultant. Both parties are actively involved with supporting the NDPG in their primary task of producing the Draft NP.

2. Discussion

The purpose of this meeting was to follow up on ACTIONS from the NDPG meeting of 15th August 2019, and to discuss the recent proposed Aims and Policies identified from evidence gathering initiatives conducted during 2015-2019.

As anticipated, the meeting was comprehensive, touching on all identified areas of consideration for the future production of the Parish NP. All attendees contributed positively, and their valuable input will significantly support a successful outcome.

3. Aims and Policies

The following evidence-based headings were discussed in detail. Appropriate amendments and revisions were made accordingly.

a) Aims:

- i. To ensure that new development is sustainable, through enabling and encouraging more sustainable live-work patterns with sustainable transport options.

- ii. To maintain and expand the range of local community facilities within the village and wider parish.
- iii. To support local business and employment.
- iv. To help ensure that new housing development meets the diverse needs of the parish's current and future communities.
- v. To conserve the parish's built-heritage and ensure that new development is well designed in adding to the distinctive identity of the village and wider parish.
- vi. To protect and enhance the village's landscape setting, green spaces, natural features and wildlife.

b) Policies:

- i. Housing, Employment and Community (HEC)
- ii. Design and Heritage (DAH)
- iii. Natural and Green Environment (NGE)
- iv. Transport (TRA)

4. Immediate Next Steps

- a) The meeting identified areas for clarification. The NDPG will continue to provide further such clarification to the nominated Consultant in order to produce comprehensive Aims and Policies.
- b) The NDPG will commence with production of the rationale, layout and narrative required to shape the Draft NP.

5. Additional Update

The information leaflet and feedback sheet recently distributed to the Parish wide community resulted in 200+ returns.

The subsequent drop-in opportunity was attended by 21 residents who wished to seek further clarification of the process.

The NDPG are grateful to all Parish residents for the feedback returns and for the various encouraging comments of support for the ongoing work to produce a Draft Parish Neighbourhood Plan.

The process of engagement with the community has been ongoing for some time. The NDPG are similarly grateful for the public's attendance at a number of open events, as well as all general communication received.

6. 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 **ACTIONS** get in touch with the committee for assistance ASAP.

Next meeting: Meetings will be called as appropriate to the increased ongoing activities associated with production of the Draft NP. (Date and Venue will be advised).

ACTION: TW to book the room as appropriate.

**THE NDPG ARE CURRENTLY SEEKING TO MAKE PROGRESS WITH
PRODUCTION OF THE DRAFT NP. SUBSEQUENT PUBLIC SESSIONS WILL BE
ADVISED ACCORDINGLY.**

**RESIDENTS ARE REMINDED THAT THEY ARE WELCOME TO COMMUNICATE
WITH THE NDPG AT ANY TIME BY CONTACTING THE PARISH CLERK, OR THE
NDPG SECRETARY.**