

Report of the  
Chair to the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Steering Committee

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019

The last month has seen the NP process gain some momentum with the Parish Council being asked to vote on our recommendations at the October PC meeting .

**1) The SEA and the next steps.**

- The Final draft of the SEA have been sent by Ian McCluskey of AECOM, he has asked that we again check that we are happy with it , he can then complete within the Day.
- Historic England have still not responded to AECOM re the SEA, Ian McCluskey has completed the report noting their lack of input.
- I have asked that the original working party review the final report.
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- Following consultation with Gary Kirk, AECOM, HBBC, and Locality the NVNP Steering Committee are recommending to the Parish Council

In the light of the documentation: **SEA and the Neighbourhood Plan – Update and Considerations** that were presented at the joint meeting of the Newbold Verdon Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee and meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> September, we recommend the following course of action.

That:

- there be a targeted SEA consultation lasting no longer than Three weeks
- the consultation would involve all parishioners and related stakeholders.
- the responses from the consultation and the SEA recommendations would be considered when finalising the neighbourhood plan for submission at Regulations 15 and 16.

Fran Belcher from HBBC sent an email last week and has questioned whether the SEA was prepared against the pre or post reg 14 NP, Ian McCluskey confirmed he referenced both documents. We will therefore need to make both versions available during the consultation process, we will work with Gary Kirk to ensure the documentation appropriately reflects this.

**2) NVNP Steering Committee, Meeting with NV Parish Council representatives Bloors re Proposed Development and the Affordable Housing Provision**

- The meeting was very positive with the Bloors representatives presenting an overview of the proposed development including site plan, number and character of houses, etc
- Following the agenda there followed a discussion around the points raised, the details of which are in the minutes of the meeting( sent out to the Steering Committee and the PC on the 24<sup>th</sup> September )

**3) Ongoing communications with the Parish**

- During the SEA consultation the PC are going to have two drop in awareness sessions in the local library to allow the parishioners the opportunity to see the SEA and ask questions. It would be an opportunity for the PC to show how the proposed development meets the housing needs and the housing Policies set out in the NP. It could be the Bloors supply some information etc on the proposed development.

Regards Heather Davison ( Chair Newbold Verdon Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee)