

Minutes of Meeting of Newbold Verdon Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee
Held Wednesday 24th July 2019
6.30pm
23 Mill Lane, Newbold Verdon.

Attendees

Heather Davison (Chair), Ed Walsh, Roger King, David Cope, Mike Wildsmith, Margaret Cope-Baines, Tim Wright, Julian Cartwright, Terry Gallagher, Joyce Crooks,

1)Apologies

Jo Walsh, Janet Sykes, , Jim Sharman, Bill Crooks

2)Minutes approved of meeting 25th February 2019

3)SEA update

- HD - we have received a positive SEA from Ian McCluskey,
- ALL- Discussion followed with the view that the SEA was positive in that it concurred and supported the NP in both its overall conclusions and methodology used. There was no conflicting information, conclusions and it was a positive report to sit along side the NP moving forward that will strengthen the NP in light of any challenges that might be made.
- All - Discussion re the need to respond to the SEA by incorporating the changes recommended, some caution was voiced regarding how the parish would perceive any changes.HD to seek advice from HBBC and Gary Kirk.
- HD – Ian McCluskey has requested we proofread and offer changes .
- ALL - Agreed to a working party to look at the SEA in regards of proofreading also to look at the recommendations and or suggested changes to the NP. Working party to include RK, HD, TW, EW, DC, MC. To meet 10am 7th August at HDs to review.
- All - discussed implications of Ian McCluskey’s email in which he advised we need to redo reg 14 with the SEA to accompany the draft NP , looked at the initial response from HBBC and Gary Kirk , agreed at this point we need more advice from HBBC, Gary Kirk, Ian McCluskey and Locality HD to chase up at share responses as they come in.
- HD – to ready questions re process of redoing reg 14 if we do need to eg. Cost, timeframe, support,

4) Where are we in the process ? What next ?

- We agreed to working party working on the SEA, meeting on the 7th of August to agree response.
- It very much depends on recommendations and advice as to whether we are moving ahead with reg16 or are redoing reg 14 to be decided at the next meeting.
- HD to arrange a meeting with Fran Belcher plus HBBC team, Gary Kirk, and ourselves soon after our Meeting on the 7th August to bring together the involved parties to move the process forward in as a timely manner as possible.

5) All parties meeting with Bloors, HBBC and representatives from the NP re the Affordable Housing Provision

- HD and TG attended a meeting at the Hinckley HUB minutes from the meeting were shared and the meeting discussed.
- Bloores and HBBC are to send briefing notes to help the committee better understand the way in which the Planning Department and developers discuss the affordable housing aspect

of the development, with the Strategic housing and Enabling officer negotiating the local housing needs using the most current evidence. Bloor's were very clear that they wanted to work with the NP and were still working on the 40% affordable housing umbrella, however within that HBBC were keen to look at meeting more closely the current housing needs. The HBBC are in essence asking us to add some Flexibility to NP to enable the Strategic Housing and Enabling Officer to work within the policies and still meet the current needs of the parish.

- All- we agreed to wait for the briefing notes before making any further decisions.

6) Ongoing communications with the Parish

- We agreed that we will need to update the Parish sooner rather than later re the current progress of the NP, we do need however to have clear understanding of whether we will be undertaking reg 14 or 16

7) the next point was left until the next meeting

8) Finances

- to be discussed when a clearer picture of the next steps to be undertaken and how they will be financed.

9) AOB

- None

Date of next meeting

- 07.08.2019
23 Mill Lane , Newbold Verdon
10 am

