Broadwindsor Group Neighbourhood Plan

Minutes of meeting 6th August 2018, 7.30 pm, at Blackdown Village Hall

Attendance – Rowland Hibbard (Chair), David Chumbley (Secretary), Brian Ridley (Treasurer), Sandra Burrows, Tim Bassett, John Wallis, Jacqui Sewell, Jo Witherden and Brian Hesketh.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies received from Tim Marshall and Prue Davies.

Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interest

None

Minutes

Minutes of the last meeting had been previously emailed to all members. Amended the date of next meeting and then a copy of the minutes from the Meeting held on 15th May 2018 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising

None

Correspondence & Notices

Letter from Chris Beck. See under item 7.

Treasures report / invoices for payment

BR stated we had received the next grant amount of £6220. BR has paid two invoices totaling £1022 for Consultant services, Footprints £516.90 for printing and Blackdown Village Hall £45. Balance is £4734.54.

Results from Draft Plan Consultation Roadshows

RH thanked all who attended the roadshows and BH for the data analysis of the returned questionnaires. This had been circulated to all prior to the meeting. RH read an email from PD expressing views concerning development, or not, at the Axe Mill site. Lengthy discussion took place around site size, access, pros / cons of mixed housing / commercial development. The conclusion was that the site was still deemed unacceptable for housing development not least because the owner had not submitted it for this purpose. His request was for light industrial / employment purposes.

During this involved discussion reference was made to the CLT development and some misunderstanding versus our plan that some residents have made concerning the numbers of affordable homes provided by both. BH asked that a statement voiced by JW be included in these minutes in the hope that this will clear up this misunderstanding in the future. JW stated, "the CLT allocation goes towards, but doesn't fulfil, the affordable housing need".

Jo W stated further work required on SEA. RH will send the necessary requests.

BH went through the results of his analysis. There had been fewer responses than for previous questionnaires but it still made interesting reading and from comments showed continued interest in the Plan. All responses / comments were discussed at length. Fortunately, it was felt there was nothing of such significance to cause any genuine concerns and the Committee were happy to continue on its current path. Jo W stated that no fundamental changes were necessary but, some policies needed 'firming up'.

Jo W then went through the responses from Statutory Consultees. She pointed out that Councils now like Neighbourhood Plans to include / update on locally known issues e.g. flooding risks. Errors were found in some of the responses. Jo W said she would raise these with the appropriate area. Discussion took place on all the responses i.e. wildlife & biodiversity; gaps; starter homes definition etc. The need for a settlement boundary was also discussed again. It was unanimously decided this is not required.

RH read the letter received from Chris Becks. This had been previously circulated to all. The letter basically asked why Mr Becks site had been excluded from our Plan. A lengthy discussion took place. The site analysis data was consulted which showed an overwhelming result *not* to include this site. Therefore, we unanimously decided to stay with our earlier decision to leave this site out of the Plan. RH will respond to Chris Becks.

West Dorset and Weymouth plan

It was decided to discuss this item at our next meeting.

Consultation Summary

Jo W stated that it was now time to produce a draft of the Consultation Summary. She asked that it be ready to be discussed at our next meeting. RH / DC / PD to action.

Matters of interest for the next meeting

Revised table and tracked changes plan

Next meeting Monday 10 September at 10.30 Blackdown Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.