

# Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan

## Minutes of the Steering Group Meeting

Date: Monday 25th March 2019

Time: 18.30 - 20.30

Location: Parish Council Office, Village Hall, Langham Road, Blakeney.

Present: Tracey Bayfield (TB)      Joanna Dawson (JD)  
John Seymour (JS)      Helen Horabin (HH)  
Rosemary Thew (RT)      Shaun Vincent (SV)  
Jane Armstrong (JA)      Don Glaister (DG)  
Jenny Girling (JG)

The meeting was chaired by Rosemary Thew in the absence of Sam Curtis.

Also present were Karen Ward (District Councillor) and Stuart Harrison and Graham Connelly from North Norfolk District Council.

### Agenda

#### 1. Apologies for absence.

Tom Green, Margaret Benson and Sam Curtis.

Did not attend - Iain Wolfe.

#### 2. Declarations of interest.

Jane Armstrong. Interest is 39 New Road, Blakeney.

#### 3. Minutes of the meeting held on 27th February 2019.

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by RT and seconded by JG. They were initialled and signed by RT.

#### 4. Matters arising from the Minutes.

None.

#### 5. Feedback from the Parish Council on the Policies.

The Blakeney Parish Council (BPC) considered the Draft Policies to be very good when compared with their initial aims and objectives and appreciated that a lot of time and effort had gone into the work already undertaken by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. The one item which BPC wish to see included is 'Not to lose commercial premises ie they are not to be permitted to be turned into residential dwellings via a change of use application. BPC would like to see the commercial premises point strengthened'.

## **6. Review of Neighbourhood Plan version 0.8, Policies 8, 9 and 13 update.**

Policies 8 and 9. SC and IW have not yet sent the information to SV. To put on hold.

**Action :** SC and IW to complete and distribute prior to next NPSG meeting.

Policy 13. TB has produced a list that has been circulated to Steering Group (SG) members. Other areas of land were added to the list and all were discussed and their Historic, Amenity or Strategic value decided.

**Action:** TB to update the list.

## **7. North Norfolk District Council feedback on the Draft Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan.**

(This item was added to the Agenda at this point.)

Stuart Harrison advised the SG on the anticipated timetable for the Emerging Local Plan.

The aim is to commence the Public Consultation on the 7th May and there will be a Consultation Event in Blakeney on the 29th May and there will also be a website based Consultation. NNDC wants to listen to the residents' comments and wants to produce a robust planning document for the next 20 years, although it will be updated when appropriate.

Stuart then gave feedback on the Draft Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan.

Earlier in the day a 19 page document of comments had been emailed to SG members although few had had opportunity to read it.

Stuart stated that the comments were comprehensive and were given by various NNDC departments and were designed to be constructive. He stated that NNDC believed more evidence was required to support the Policies.

Stuart, on behalf of NNDC, offered to provide workshops with officers from different departments to go through the Draft Policies with the SG.

**Action :** Stuart Harrison to contact HH with dates in early May when the workshops could be held.

(At this point Karen Ward, Stuart Harrison and Graham Connelly left the meeting.)

**Action :** SV to go through the NNDC Feedback Comments and to forward his comments to the Steering Group.

**Action :** Following receipt of SV's comments, SG members to send their own comments on the NNDC Feedback to HH who will circulate to all SG members.

## **8. Next steps - Pre-Submission Consultation.**

The SG will aim for June, following the workshops with NNDC in May.

## **9. Communication.**

Nothing to note.

## **10. Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA).**

SV advised that the SG needs to ask NNDC to undertake the SEA when the Policies are completed and just prior to the Pre-Submission Consultation.

## **11. Date of next meeting.**

Monday 29th April 2019.

## **12. Any Other Business.**

JS suggested that all SG members look at the Saxthorpe and Corpusty Neighbourhood Plan online. This has recently had a positive referendum result.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.