

EAST HOATHLY WITH HALLAND PARISH COUNCIL

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12th June at 7:00 pm at the Kings Head, East Hoathly

1. Present - Chris Magness, Jonathan Walker, Richard Partridge, Kate Richardson, Susan Cole, Jonathan Ritchie. , David Chapman.
Apologies – Victoria Crick.

2. Minutes of the meeting of March 12th 2019 were not available to be signed.

3. **Update on position with Feria.**

The SG noted that communications with Richard Eastman of Feria consultants had failed to encourage him to attend a meeting with SG members over the proposed public events which led the SG to propose organizing these events internally. All were in favour of this proposal with a view to focus on a single event in East Hoathly pavilion. There was discussion over the production of the composition and content of a slide show presentation with complementary feedback of public opinions and comments. It was further agreed to seek alternative consultants to take an advisory role in the further steps required to develop the NDP. AIRS (Action in Rural Sussex) was suggested and agreed by all. Chris to write to AIRS.

4. **Review and comments on NDP website prior to launch.**

Jonathan had uploaded a revised version of version 6 and all agreed it was much improved. This version included the 2008 Parish Plan for reference. It was further agreed to include a list of all members of the SG with a contact email address for comments.

A suggestion to link the NDP website with other social media websites was suggested and Parish Council approval will be sought for this. This is intended to enlarge the active participation in the NDP as well as increase public awareness of events.

Also agreed that a regular update on events should be given to deliver information about how any impact current outcomes of the WDC submitted LP may influence the development of the NDP.

Further dissemination of information is to be conducted through the Parish Pump and through the forthcoming edition of Halland Voice and St.Thomas a Becket church magazine circulated in Halland.

Again a request goes out for photos for the website particularly from Halland . Various sources for photographs were explored and will be followed up by members of the SG.

It was agreed that the school should be approached to assess the opinion of children as to what they would like to see in the parish in 2028.

It was disappointing to note that SG attempts to engage business owners to voice an opinion on the NDP had shown little result and a renewed focus had to be made. It was suggested that a comprehensive questionnaire should be developed for businesses and other stakeholders; including land owners and each member of the SG would engage with a number of stakeholders from a list to be generated by Jonathan Walker.

Farmers play a huge role in local business yet had had little input to shaping the NDP. This would be addressed.

The public consultation event will be scheduled for Thursday 5th September . Jonathan Ritchie will check on availability of pavilion.

5. **Thoughts on implications of WDC SLP with examiner.**

The current examination being held at the East Sussex national has been suspended for the rest of the month and will resume in July. Recent events of concern have been an appeal submitted by the developers of a section of Bradford land at the end of South Street, East Hoathly based on the non-determination of their application for some 70 dwellings. The appeal will be reviewed by the examiner. It is considered that in light of the acceptance of this appeal and WDC's determination to defend its decision, more of the currently suspended applications will come forward with similar appeals against non-determination.

6. **Dates for future meetings**

It has been difficult to fix advance dates for SG meetings over the past couple of months due to the SLP examination with members attending the hearings and other work commitments with the result that short notice has been given which inconveniences other members. At this meeting, members agreed to the following three month schedule:

Wednesday 10th July

Wednesday 14th August

Public consultation event: Thursday 5th September

Wednesday 25th September.

The consultation event will be held at the pavilion with one session in the afternoon followed by a second session in the evening.

7. **Future topics**

While continuing with the main thrust of the NDP, members agreed that topics that need to be covered in some depth were; CLT, pavilion, car parking. Land raise, community assets.

Next meeting to be held at 7.00 on 10th July 2019 at the Kings Head, East Hoathly.