

Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
Held in the Sports Pavilion, Milken Lane, Ashover
on Tuesday 14 MARCH 2017 7.15pm

MEETING
NO. 23

PRESENT

Ashover Parish Councillors:-

Richard Fidler (RF) (Chairman)
Martha Hayward (MH)
William Armitage (WA)

Community Volunteers:-

Ellen Hardwick (EH)
Chris Proctor-Smith (CPS)
Anne Wilkinson (AW)

Andrew Towler (Your Locale) (AT)
Sara Atkinson (Parish Clerk) (SA)

Members of the Public - 3

NP/177/17 Welcome and apologies – Apologies were received from Michael Philbin.

Public Speaking: The Chairman invited members of the public to speak and matters raised included a proposal to apply for an agricultural dwelling and how much weight could be placed on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan at its present stage.

Recommendation: That the Planning Services Manager for NEDDC is invited to a Parish Council meeting to clarify the weight given to the Draft Neighbourhood Plan at its present stage. (SA)

NP/178/17 Minutes - The minutes of the Steering Group Meeting held 10/01/2017 were received.

NP/179/17 Code of Conduct/Declarations of Interest – There were no Declarations.

NP/180/17 Local Plan Update including relationship with Draft Local Plan (See Appendix I)

Your Locale (AT) had undertaken a 'relationship' exercise between the Draft Local Plan and the Draft Neighbourhood Plan (Appendix I) and this was considered and discussed. It was considered that there were no major conflicts and it was noted that the housing need identified in the withdrawn Draft Local Plan had now been removed. Some wording in the Draft Neighbourhood Plan would be amended to reflect the wording in the Draft Local Plan and the period of the Neighbourhood Plan would be extended to 2033 in line with the Local Plan. The Settlement Development Limits would need to be reviewed especially for Alton, Fallgate and Littlemoor as these settlements were now being designated as 'unsustainable' in the Draft Local Plan and the Draft Local Plan was suggesting that Settlement Development Limits should not be prepared for them.

Recommendation: That wording and timescales of the Draft Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan are reviewed so as to reflect the Draft Local Plan and Settlement Development Limits for Alton, Fallgate and Littlemoor withdrawn. (AT) (CPS)

NP/181/17 Revised Draft Neighbourhood Plan Consultation outcome

The consultation period had ended on 13/03/2017 and responses had been circulated to Group Members. These included requests to include two sites, one for an agricultural dwelling and one for a single dwelling, were considered along with a request to extend a settlement development limit to include a garden curtilage and a request to withdraw private land from within the designated green space. The validity of the initial map submitted with the application to NEDDC for the Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan area had been queried. Some responses had been detailed and these demanded more time for Members to consider, assess and discuss.

Recommendations:

- (i) **That, as the Steering Group specifically looked at sites for 5 dwellings or more, the requests to include two sites for single dwellings are not taken up and the applicants are referred directly to the Planning Department at NEDDC. (SA)**

- (ii) That the queries raised on the validity of the initial map submitted with the application for the Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan, are submitted to NEDDC for comment. (SA)
- (iii) That the Steering Group meets again on Tuesday 28/03/2017, having had the opportunity to fully study the detailed responses to the consultation on the Draft Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan. (SA)

NP/182/17 Draft Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)

The Draft SEA was considered by Members. It was explained that its preparation has been complicated by the publication of the Draft Local Plan during the consultation period on the draft Local Plan.

Recommendations: That the Draft Strategic Environmental Assessment is submitted, for a 6 week consultation period, to Natural England, Historic England and the Environment Agency. (SA)

NP/183/17 Background Reports and Maps

Further maps and reports would be sought on the natural environment of the parish to support the Draft Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan. (RF)(AT)(CPS)

NP/184/17 Next Steps

Members would study the consultation responses received and Your Locale would produce an evaluation sheet. The Draft Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan would be updated to accord with the Draft Local Plan. (AT)

The Steering Group Members would meet on 28/03/2017 to discuss.

NP/185/17 Emerging Programme - key milestones and funding

Following finalisation of the Draft Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan, a recommendation would be made to Ashover Parish Council to re-submit this to NEDDC and a further 6 week consultation period would take place.

NP/186/17 Date of next meeting – 7.30pm Tuesday 28 MARCH 2017 in the Sports Pavilion.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm