



**ARNE PARISH COUNCIL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP MEETING HELD TUESDAY,
10TH MAY 2016 AT STOBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Present: Robert Kenward (RK), Ashley Pellegrini (AP), Ray Scragg (RS), Avris Wakefield-Sutton (AWS), Don Hunter (DH), Amanda Crocker (AC), Bridget Kenward (BK), Vivienne Ward (VW)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Ian Jenkins, Richard Bessant

AP reported that a resolution had been received from the Housing Group requesting that we oppose the Worgret Lane development and continue to back the development of the West Lane sites.

BK – the Neighbourhood Plan is putting forward two developments. The developers of both sites have been in touch and there will be a meeting on Friday 13th May with the Stepping Stones developer. It is important that we show them our commitment. The developers of the Rempstone site are also very enthusiastic. In the meantime, we have been offered assistance with putting together a strong opposition to the Worgret site.

BK has lobbied both District Councillors and County Councillors over the last week and, whilst none are willing to say so openly, the clear impression is that all are in favour of the larger developments around the district as these offer a larger CIL payment. The Partial Advisory Group has appointed a sub-committee which will look at the Worgret site, amongst others, and respond in more detail. The situation is very much money-led but there are planning issues that go against the use of the site for development.

Neither developer is as far forward as hoped but may be waiting to see how committed we are. BK expressed grave concerns about the effect development is having on the farming and would like to see at least reference made to this in the Plan.

AP – are we happy to support the Housing Group with regard to the two proposed sites? AW-S proposed that we support the Housing Group's resolution. This was seconded by VW and agreed unanimously.

2. Report on meeting with Jo Witherden (JW) and Review Group

Jo will be looking at the policies and suggesting amendments and will then hand the revisions to the Writing Group. She is hoping to do this in the next 6 to 8 weeks.

When Worgret is discussed within the Neighbourhood Plan, we must be sure not to be negative – state that the site did not fit the criteria set down to consider each possible site in the parish.

Housing Need – PDC have sent a revised estimate. Originally, there was a need for 17 homes and a further 19 have been noted. They have also suggested that we might like to look at the need of neighbouring parishes.

BK suggested we should now have a public meeting.

AP – Anna Lee has reported that a new officer is in place and will take the place of Keith Childs. His name is Luke Bennett and AP will be meeting with him and Anna Lee in the near future.

It may now be that we will now be asking less for PDC's advise and more telling them what we are going to do.

RS reported that the parishmapping.com system was proving a useful application and means we can be less dependent on PDC to produce maps for us.

RK – there will need to be some revisiting of the evidence as JW has suggested this needs to be short and sweet, with more information being put into appendices.

AP, DH and RS will meet with Anna Lee and Luke Bennett.

3. PRAG and implications for NP

This has already been covered.

4. Way forward and timetable

We are looking at completing the Plan in 9 to 12 months.

BK – we need to have a public meeting in June (JW is in favour of this) with the developers. The meeting is to be held at the school as there is more space available. BK and RK are available between 15th and 22nd June and will check to see when the developers are available during that week. BK will contact Rempstone and try to get a mutually agreeable date and then allocate the various jobs necessary.

RK will work out some useful questions for the evening.

BK to e-mail/consult and all other group members will be available to offer support as required.

RS to update the web site as necessary.

5. Date of next meeting

To be confirmed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19:40pm.