

# ARNE PARISH COUNCIL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP MEETING 23<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2015 EVERSHOT

**Present:** 

Bridget Kenward (BK), Robert Kenward (RK), Richard Bessant (RB), Ray Scragg (RS), Avris Wakefield-Sutton (AWS), Ann Pugsley (APu), Don Hunter (DH), Ashley Pellegrini (AP), Caroline Macleod (CM) Amanda Crocker (AC), Vivienne Ward (VW), Ian Jenkins (IJ), Keith Childs (KC) PDC.

## 1. Apologies for absence

No apologies had been received.

# 2. Minutes of the meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> December 2014

A copy of the minutes had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. They were deemed to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman.

#### 3. Report back from various working groups.

<u>Well-being</u> (AP) – The objectives were seen as being appropriate so far. A meeting is imminent and two matters will be considered in particular: a) skate park at the Hayricks and b) improved access to Stoborough Primary School at the junction of West Lane and Corfe Road

<u>Business & Employment (DH)</u> – The group has met once, semi-formally. They have produced a number of points which now need to be woven into a policy.

<u>Health (APu)</u> – Investigations have mainly centred around the Wareham Hospital but would like assistance in wording the policies.

<u>Crime & Policing (IJ)</u> – The group was disappointed to note that traffic calming on the Corfe Road appears to have been dropped. There has been the suggestion of a roundabout at the junction of Corfe Road and New Road to try to slow traffic down. This seems to have been overlooked, whilst the proposal for a roundabout at the Ridge end of the road was still included. IJ pointed out that the group were not thinking of a large, solid structure for a roundabout but more along the lines of a small painted version. Parking along the road in the village is having the effect of slowing traffic but, once past the school, there is little to slow traffic down. A roundabout would have the desired effect. AC pointed out that, due to budgetary constraints, Highways would not consider installing a roundabout here. It can be included in the NP as an aspiration but should not be included within the policies. The Parish Council is due to have tour of the parish with Steve Mepham from DCC Highways. Perhaps mention of the roundabout could be made during the visit. IJ will also be invited to attend in order to discuss any other matters raised by the working group.

<u>Traffic Management and Accessibility</u> (CM) – The group has set out their strategic objectives and their specific objectives. In addition, they will include aspirations to create a new footpath between Ridge and Stoborough that does not touch the road. In addition, the group would like to see a zebra crossing between Stoborough Meadow and Stoborough Green, a 20mph limit in front of the school, a 40mph limit along the lower half of Puddletown Road. At this stage, these are all aspirations. BK reported that Church Knowle Parish Council is in the process of negotiating a 40mph speed limit along Furzebrook Road. She asked that, when the application comes up for consideration, we do not object.

Environment (VW) – A Flood & Resilience Committee has been set up and a first meeting held.

Housing (BK, RK) – The group has met twice since the last meeting and have set out their objectives. They have also started to apply demands and needs. RK gave a brief slide show setting out their findings. RS expressed his concern that the base data provided for each site allocation could be more detailed. DH felt that the data used had been scrutinised by the Housing Group with a view to full transparency and there was no flaw in the data. RK – the data had been analysed using the working group's method and then by using RS's suggestion. In both cases, the results gave the same outcome. Further analysis would be time-consuming and would not lead to a different outcome. RS said he would like to see the settlement boundary and by-pass column split. He would also like to see the column headed "Infra-structure proximity of bus, shop, school, etc" further broken down. KC felt that the evidence has now been assembled and the group needed to decide what they wanted it to show and how they were going to deal with it.

BK said that the Housing Group would now like to take the most popular sites and analyse them in more detail. They would like to speak to other interested parties to discuss the sites themselves; i.e. landowners, developers, EA and then they would also like to pursue what aspirations we might have for the housing within the site.

RS – the number of houses shown on the Housing Group spreadsheet for the sites is less than those shown on the SHLAAs. BK – this was intentional and resulted from the studies carried out by the group.

AWS – would like to be assured that the landowners and tenants are informed as soon as possible that their land is under consideration.

KC was asked to provide a table of up to date SHLAAs, who had submitted them, who owns the land and whether or not it is tenanted. He agreed to check to see if they hold this information and if it is possible to release it.

BK – asked permission form the Steering Group to be allowed to start looking into the top 2 sites – Stepping Stones and West Lane North. This was agreed.

A copy of the presentation will be sent to all members of the Steering Group.

#### 4. Comments from and questions to Keith Childs

Most of the questions and comments had been raised during the meeting. RS asked why the SHLAA document was headed "The first stage". KC – the report is effectively a register of land that has been submitted but will have to be interrogated further.

BK – with the Local Plan Partial Review underway, she would like to offer the Review Group our data to date. KC – the group could make a formal presentation. PDC would welcome our response and, should we wish to compliment that response by including the NP presentation, it would be entirely our decision and the data would be appreciated.

AP – when would the Habitat Regulations Assessment and Strategic Environment Assessment be needed? KC – these need to accompany the site options and should run alongside the production of the Plan.

#### 5. Next Steps

Housing Group – re-score separating bypass from settlement boundary, infrastructure from walk-distance/add and score the new SHLAAs on this basis/approach the tenants, landowners and agents for the two top-score sites.

AP to send out the format for the objectives.

Each group to broadly outline what they would like their policies to contain. KC will then be able to advise on content and format.

## 6. Date of next meeting

Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> March, 6pm at Evershot.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:08