



**ARNE PARISH COUNCIL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP MEETING**  
**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015 at Stoborough Primary School**

**Present:** Ian Jenkins (IJ), Bridget Kenward (BW), Robert Kenward (RK), Caroline Macleod (CM)  
Ashley Pellegrini (AP), Ray Scragg (RS), Avris Wakefield-Sutton (AWS), Keith Childs  
(KC) - PDC

**1. Apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Richard Bessant, Amanda Crocker, Don Hunter, Anne Pugsley, and Vivienne Ward

AP extended thanks to Debbie Corbin (DC), Headteacher of Stoborough Primary, for the use of the room; AP again thanked RK for pulling together each group's policies into a coherent and regular form, following the detailed input from KC. This vote of thanks was fully endorsed by the Steering Group (SG).

**2. Minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October**

A copy of the minutes was sent to all members of the SG prior to the meeting. They were confirmed to be a true and accurate representation of the meetings and were signed by AP.

**3. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

**4. Note-taking for meeting**

It was agreed that, as most of the meeting would be led by RK, re: amendments to the policies, AP would vacate the chair and take notes of the meeting instead.

**5. Interactive consultation exercise, re: register of community facilities and green spaces**

AP has received an email from Janet Toal, Secretary of Ridge Residents' Association, responding to his appeal in the latest parish newsletter, nominating the central green space used by the residents of Ridge as a focal point for social gatherings. Regrettably, this has been the only response to the interactive exercise. AP proposed that a small number from the steering group should research parish facilities to complete the register for publication in the Neighbourhood Plan (NP). **Action: AP**

**6. Request from Wareham Town Council (WTC)**

AP has received an email from WTC requesting a meeting with members of our SG to help the start made on WTC's own NP. It was agreed that AP should reply by saying that, although we were happy to support with help on the process by provision of, for example, our plans for the consultation meetings and copies of our survey, we were not in a position to set up a meeting to discuss our progress thus far, as we have not yet had the opportunity of sharing our recently completed policies with our own parishioners. **Action: AP will inform WTC of our SG decision and also the responses**

from our survey that refer positively to Wareham facilities, e.g. Wareham Hospital, (removed from our considerations, as they are not specific to Arne Parish).

## 7. Progress on policies

There was some suggestion that, when redrafting policies, there was a need to ensure that they were not over-lengthy and easily accessible and comprehensible to all those who will read the NP. 27 policies seemed a lot for the Parish Council to take on (Later discussions reduced this number to 25)

Some typos were identified and these were accepted by RK and will be corrected in the documentation.

The discussion, led by RK, focused on the comments that KC had provided to the SG. Where the suggestion has been accepted in redrafting without disagreement by RK, no note has been made. The comments below refer to the areas that needed a decision from members of the SG.

P3 A9        **Action: RK to redraft Policy 1 in line with comments above and to re-examine “social-cultural” references**

P4 KC13     Need to set up a small group to consult with Natural England (NE) and Environment Agency (EA), when appropriate. **Action: This can be dealt with better by sending all appropriate documentation for comment, when appropriate. RK/BK/KC**

*NB: The removal of trees was again highlighted as causing flooding issues and it was noted that the Secretary of State for the Environment was now advocating an intense programme of tree planting*

P6 KC15-    It was agreed to recognise the “positive” aspects of the SANG currently provided and  
A19        that there was no need to identify any further SANGs. Mitigation should be considered more creatively in future with reference to, for example, provision of playgrounds, allotments, football pitches etc.

P8 KC21     It was noted that the NP survey did not ask about “multiple sites”

P11         The settlement boundary is currently being investigated. When complete, there will be  
KC24/25    significant text included in the NP on the matter. Agreed to replace ‘infill’ with ‘development’.

P12 KC25    Planning guidelines need to be specified and KC will provide help.

P13         KC pointed out that reference should be made to general need for sustainable development.

P13         CM referred to the emails sent between her and Steve Mephram of Dorset Highways, not currently in post. This correspondence confirmed that a) the one way system in Nutcrack Lane would not be viable and b) that also applied to the proposed mini-roundabouts on the Corfe Road. There were other comments made about the Stoborough Green parking issue, which were not relevant to the NP.

P15    KC     The 20mph limit during school hours outside the school seems likely to be approved by  
34 - 39    Dorset Highways; strong support for mitigation of further developments with footpath,

as outlined in Policy 10, with fibre optic cable buried below. As above, mini roundabouts removed as not favoured by DCC.

- P16 KC41 KC suggests that SG considers funding priorities in matters like this. Developers need to know what the PC's priorities are in order to attract interest.
- P17 KC47-49 Agreed to add 'local providers'. KC suggested that the more local providers were identified, the better. This could be part of the discussions at our next consultation meeting.
- P19 Need to approach police to consider policies.
- P20 Policy 15 to be adapted to reflect more "maintain low crime rates and to achieve regular advice on how best to.." etc.
- P21 Additional policy 17 agreed by SG.
- P22 KC55 Sites for Nursing/Care Homes are more likely in Wareham Town, as a result of asking question in NP survey. **Action: AP to include comments on this in email to WTC.**
- P23 KC56 KC suggests need to demonstrate facilities are needed and no other appropriate areas, except Scott Close, have been identified.
- P24 KC57 No longer a policy.
- P28 KC59 Remove policy 21 but include as aspiration.
- P29 KC60 Appointment of youth editor for website agreed. **Action: AP to seek willing volunteer from The Purbeck School.**
- P30 Take out "no large employers" agreed.
- P31 KC 62-67 Much needs to be reordered to make it 'flow' better. Perhaps a footnote defining areas of employment (in addition to tourist sites) **Action: RK to remove 'protect' and use support/nurture. Action: DH to reconsider wording.** In Policy 23 remove first sentence and subsequently 'therefore'.
- P32 KC68 **Action: DH to establish a standing committee.** Buildings to be substituted for 'property' to minimise increase in numbers of caravan parks.
- P33 KC 69 Change 'superfast' to 'high speed'.
- P34 KC70/71 Action: Refer Policy 27 back to DH and RS. For the time being take out any reference to Engine Shed. Possible scope for combining Policies 23 and 27.

## 8. Comments from KC

**Sustainability appraisal (SA):** PDC will be able to do this but currently there is a capacity issue. **Action: BK to write to Bridget Downton asking for help, preferably in January.**

**Scoping for SA:** This needs to be carried out before the SA, allowing statutory consultees time to make initial comments, making them aware of the scope of the plan in a four week timescale. SG needs to provide revised policies to KC and these will be sent out to the consultees, a list of these being provided by KC. **Action: KC to provide list of consultees**

#### **9. Parish Consultation meeting**

BK has already identified a need for this meeting, with respect to Housing policies etc., but because of SA and scoping, outlined above, this will have to be arranged in March, rather than February 2016. **Action: AP to find a suitable date for meeting at Stoborough Primary with DC.**

#### **10. Date of next meeting**

**Confirmed:** Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2016, 6pm at Stoborough Primary School. **Action: AP to contact DC**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.15pm.