

## **Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting Wednesday 30 March 2016**

**Pavilion, Denstone College**

**Present**

Jacquie Payne, Cavell Portman, Clive Keble, Pauline Dolan, Jenny Richardson, David Brown, Bob Beaumont, Antony Whomersley, David Boden, Edward Edmonds

### **1. Apologies**

Emma Gerrard, Angela Snow. Although EG had missed three successive meetings it was agreed she could continue to be a group member particularly for her work with Facebook.

### **2. Minutes of 9 February**

Accepted as a true record.

### **3. Any changes to steering group contact details**

None

### **4. Matters arising**

a. Contact with village organisations. DBro is now a member of the Bowls Club.

### **5/6 Report on exhibition and questionnaire analysis/ Update on sites**

The exhibition/open evening on 26 February had been successful. A summary of the questionnaire results and a covering report including the comments had been circulated. CK ran through the figures and comments for the All Saints and Oak Road sites. It was AGREED to accept these two sites in principle.

There were more negative comments on the Vinewood South site. Attempts to get more detail from the landowner had so far been unsuccessful. It was proposed that by having one dwelling on Vinewood North and four on Vinewood South with attention to screening concerns could be alleviated. On this basis a vote was taken. ALL IN FAVOUR.

CK felt the All Saints site would be developed first followed by Oak Road with Vinewood in 5-10 years time.

Since the exhibition a further landowner had contacted with The Dingle site. An analysis was included in the report which indicated it is unsuitable. The Steering Group considered and approved the Assessment Sheet for the site which was appended to the report. At the meeting a site on Oak Road was suggested but no formal contact had been made by the landowner. In any event the Steering group noted that it would be open to this person to comment in the Draft plan during the 6 week consultation.

Character assessment. This was heavily supported in the questionnaire but an area in the north west between Hollis Lane and Quixhill Lane had been overlooked. This consists of farmhouses and open countryside with public footpaths and long views. To be covered.

**ACTION PD with assistance from CP.**

### **7 Draft Neighbourhood Plan, proposed consultation arrangements and programme**

Version 3 had been circulated. It incorporates comments made by ESBC. ESBC have consulted Natural England and the Environment Agency and a Strategic Environmental Assessment will not be required. CK ran through the various changes to the document

including ones on sites in response to comments. A map with proposed extensions to the settlement boundary was explained. Prestwood allotments, the Woodland Trust planting and railway line would be added to the open spaces. CK was congratulated on the document and the Draft Plan was approved for consultation. It was noted that during the consultation other sites may appear and be pushed.

A document covering the six week Regulation 14 consultation had been circulated together with the newsletter used by Marchington at this stage. The newsletter contains a summary of the polices, where to get more information and a detachable questionnaire. More information would be available on the website and folders in the pub, village shop and Village Hall. The consultation should be highlighted with village organisations after 22 April and on Facebook. Input on latter required. **ACTION EG.** It was AGREED that the consultation period would be Friday 22 April to Monday 6 June. Newsletter to be distributed from 22-25 April. A presentation would be made to the Annual Parish Meeting on 25 April. **ACTION CP.** There would be two drop in sessions in the Village Hall – Saturday 7 10 am – 1 pm, Friday 13 May 3 – 7 pm. Village Hall to be booked. **ACTION BB.** A banner advertising these events was thought to be a good idea. Final arrangements and availability for the events to be confirmed at the next meeting. **ACTION All.** It is hoped to have all responses collated by 19 June.

## **8 Working with young people**

A letter to the schools thanking them for their participation would be drafted and sent to the Chairman for signature. **ACTION DBro.** The Parish Council needs to revisit this group after 5 years.

## **9 Funding update**

After covering CK's March invoice there would be approximately £1500 of the ESBC grant and £1300 of the A4A grant remaining. To enquire if the underspend on the first NP grant can be included in the total for the next application. **ACTION BB**

## **10 Any other business**

None.

## **11 Dates of next meetings**

**Tuesday 12 April Denstone College**

Meeting closed 8.45 pm