

Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee Meeting – 26th January 2016

Present: JM, CR, LB, CH, DC, TB, AG, SF, JS

1. Apologies had been received from JC and DH

2. Minutes from Jan 13th meeting were accepted. JM has attempted to contact the Star Hill liaison officer without success so far and will continue with this.

3. Finance - AG confirmed that this is still continuing but good progress has been made since the last meeting.

The committee gave a formal message of thanks to LB for her help with the follow-up investigations on available funds and the clarifications obtained.

4. Assessments of Sites - Louise Orchard who is a planning consultant working for Troy Planning and Design attended the meeting and reviewed a document prepared for the committee on site assessments (I have attached a pdf copy of this and also a copy of the document prepared by Troy on housing). This document can be used with our current work on the sites to complete the assessment prior to our next public consultation. It was agreed that we should have 2 dedicated meetings for this as per item 8 below and the process to be used should be as outlined in our Jan 13th meeting namely

- complete the site assessment reviews
- prioritise the sites (use same approach as Adams Hendry to show + or - against our criteria)
- update the key sites from the prioritisation onto a village map for ease of review including colour coding to denote suitability (R/Y/G) and priority

Once completed it was agreed that we should set up a formal review of prioritised sites with Hart DC, followed by another open day with the village community to present the prioritised sites and housing numbers.

LB commented that we still need more evidence related to the ecological review that had been performed for the Steering Group. CR agreed to follow up on this and LB confirmed that her organisation could also help if this was needed.

It was agreed that we should use the name "site assessments" rather than "sustainability appraisal" so I have done this and attached a version of this with the reference to our NP plan objectives updated.

5. Hart Local Plan - it was agreed that our activity should continue to proceed as planned and we will respond to the new Hart consultation once it is restarted.

6. Overview of NP programme - our current focus should be on completing the site assessment work and scheduling another public consultation prior to Easter.

7. AOB - no items raised

8. Next meeting dates - 3rd February and 9th February both at 6pm in the Parish Council office. Louisa Orchard will attend the 9th February meeting.

Regards,

John Sage