

Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan

Minutes of the Steering Group Meeting

Date: Monday 3rd September 2018

Time: 18.30 - 20.30

Location: Parish Council Office, Village Hall, Langham Road, Blakeney.

Present: Sam Curtis (SC) Tom Green (TG)

Jenny Girling (JG) Helen Horabin (HH)

Rosemary Thew (RT) Shaun Vincent (SV)

Joanna Dawson (JD) Margaret Benson (MB)

Jane Armstrong (JA) John Seymour (JS)

Alban Donohoe (AD)

There were two members of the public present, representatives of the Blakeney Hotel.

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence.

Don Glaister.

Did not attend - Iain Wolfe.

2. Declarations of interest.

Jane Armstrong and John Seymour.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd July 2018.

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed Sam Curtis and seconded by Rosemary Thew. They were initialled and signed by Sam Curtis.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes.

Point 6 - SV advised that it is not yet the right time to ask North Norfolk District Council (NNDC) for a Screening Opinion. It will be the right time once the Policies and Draft Plan are completed. It will take approximately 3-4 weeks for NNDC to undertake the Screening Opinion.

Action : Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) to be an item on every Agenda.

Point 8 - SV advised that the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) that was out for Consultation has been in force since the end of July and is available online. Key changes are around Housing and Housing Delivery. There is a new method of calculating need which favours the Developer.

5. History of Blakeney.

SV requested that a member of the Steering Group produce a short document (approximately 2 pages long) about Blakeney's history. This could include links with other villages and what initiated the increase in second homes.

TG kindly volunteered to undertake this piece of work. SC and AD offered to assist TG. It was suggested that the Historical Society and other named individuals may be willing to provide information.

Action : TG to bring the Draft document to the October SG meeting.

6. Community Event Feedback 28th July.

The second editions of the Newsletter were delivered prior to the Event.

Approximately 60 people attended the Event - 10% of the population.

Action : SV to bring to the next SG meeting the map of the village showing where those that attended the Community Event live.

SV presented the Emerging Policy Statements Document August 2018 to the meeting. The views and comments expressed by the public on the boards at the Community Event have been evaluated and are detailed and shown diagrammatically in the Document.

Actions : SV to forward the Emerging Policy Statements Document to SG members.

All members of the SG to read the Document before the next meeting. With regard to Appendix 1, SG members to consider the community responses to each of the Statements and to decide for themselves whether or not they feel it is an area they want to take forward into Policy to deliver the agreed Aims.

SV to write a description on how to do this which will be distributed with the Document.

Question from the Public.

How can the Blakeney Hotel engage with the SG?

It was advised that both editions of the Newsletter had been hand delivered to the Blakeney Hotel by members of the SG.

Action : The Blakeney Hotel to arrange to meet with SC so that the purpose of the Neighbourhood Plan and the progress so far can be explained to them.

7. Next meeting Monday 1st October starting at 6.30pm. It is anticipated that this will be a long meeting.

8. Any Other Business.

HH asked if 'Communication' could be a standing item on the SG meeting Agenda.

There may be items relating to the Neighbourhood Plan to be reported to the SG from those members who are on the Parish Council or SV may need to update the SG on changes to national or local policies and what is going on in the background.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

