

Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan

Minutes of the Steering Group Meeting

Date: Monday 16th December 2019

Time: 14.30 - 16.30

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

Present: Tracey Bayfield (TB) Rosemary Thew (RT)
Sam Curtis (SC) Helen Horabin (HH)
Shaun Vincent (SV) Jane Armstrong (JA)
Margaret Benson (MB) John Seymour (JS)
Tom Green (TG)

There were two members of the public present.

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence.

Joanna Dawson, Don Glaister and Jenny Girling

Did not attend - Iain Wolfe.

2. Declarations of interest.

Jane Armstrong. Interest is 39 New Road, Blakeney.

An additional Agenda item was added as a member of the public, Mr Clive Albany, wished to speak. A maximum of 15 minutes was allocated for this item.

SC stated that he had spoken with Mr Albany with regard to Development Site Allocation and had explained to Mr Albany that Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan (NP) Steering Group (SG) was not involved in this matter. North Norfolk District Council (NNDC) would make the decision. SC also stated that the NP SG will relook at the Draft NP to ensure that no particular site identified in the Local Plan produced by NNDC is condoned or accepted in the Blakeney NP.

Mr Albany started by stating that he is passionate about Blakeney and what it will become and congratulated the NP SG on the Draft NP. He then explained the concerns of residents of Kingsway to the preferred Development Site for Blakeney detailed in the Local Plan and explained why residents of Kingsway believed a different site, which he identified, was preferable.

Mr Albany's full presentation is attached below.

SC thanked Mr Albany for his presentation.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 10th September 2019.

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by SC and seconded by TB. They were initialled and signed by SC.

(At this point the two members of the public left the meeting.)

4. Matters arising from the Minutes.

4. Item 4, point 6.

Action : TB to ask NNDC to produce a map of Blakeney highlighting and labelling the Open Spaces.

All other Actions from the Minutes have been completed except for the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) which is on the Agenda for this meeting.

5. Regulation 14 Consultation update.

SC commented that the SG had been unaware that boards showing plans for proposed Affordable Housing in Blakeney were to be displayed at the Consultation Event.

JA stated she thought it odd that the SG hadn't been advised that the plans would be on display.

HH said she was concerned that it would not be clear to members of the public that the Neighbourhood Plan and the proposed Affordable Housing on display were separate issues. She felt that the timing of the display of the proposed plans to the residents of Blakeney was unfortunate.

RT advised that the Parish Council had received the display boards showing the proposed plans for Affordable Housing just prior to the Consultation Event and believed that the residents of Blakeney should have sight of them at the earliest opportunity which happened to be the Consultation Event.

SV has written an Initial Draft of the Pre-Submission Consultation Response document which has been circulated to SG members prior to this meeting.

HH advised SV of DG's concerns that SG members could not add comments to the document itself.

SV explained the format of the document.

The first column shows the number of the Consultee ie PS1, PS2, PS3 etc. A key advises to whom this number relates ie PS1 relates to Norfolk Constabulary. The next column shows the Policy, Theme or Section to which the comment relates. The third column details the Response received. The fourth column will detail the Neighbourhood Plan SG's comments and actions.

All responses from the public and Statutory Consultees must be considered by the SG and comments made.

During the meeting the SG worked through the comments made by PS1 to PS20 inclusive. SV added the comments and actions made by the SG to the document as it was worked through.

It was not possible to complete the whole document during the meeting so the process will be continued at the next SG meeting.

6. Next steps and key documents.

This item to be on the Agenda of the next SG meeting.

7. Date of next meeting.

The next Steering Group meeting is to be held on **Wednesday 8th January at 5.30pm.**

The meeting closed at 16.40.