PRESENTCllr. A Walmsley, Chairman presiding.Cllrs. M Ballard, J Britt, R Greenwood & A Ratcliffe.Cllr. N Osborne was also present. McFarlane (Clerk & RFO) 1 Member of the public.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A representative from Lenham Wanderers Football Club wished to discuss the future of the playing pitches after the proposed sale of the strip of land to Countryside and before the pitches are relocated to land south of Old Ashford Road. Cllr. A Ratcliffe presented a draft site layout which increased the car parking spaces with vehicle access via a gate, which also allowed access for the gang mower; the parking area would have a knee rail to discourage parking on the grass area. There would be a wooden three stock boundary fence along Old Ham Lane and a separate fenced off skatepark/play area to the south west of the site, independently accessed from Old Ham Lane. Full utility services to the pavilion will be retained during the development, drainage issues and car park surfacing were also discussed. The representative was given a copy of the draft plan to discuss further with the LWFC committee members. Cllr. J Britt offered dates for a meeting with the KCC Rights of Way officer to discuss the relocation of a footpath on the land south of Old Ashford Road, allocated for football pitches. The Chairman opened the meeting at 8.15pm.

1. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> Cllr. M Cockett.

2. DISCLOSURES AND CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS ON THE AGENDA No disclosures or confidential items on the agenda.

3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED & PLANNING MATTERS

19/506136/FULL Two storey side extension to the Willows annexe.

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4. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications permitted: 5 Robins Close Lenham ME17 2LD: Sunnyview Stables Sandway ME17 2LU: Saxon Warrior The Square ME17 2PG: 3 Malt House Cottages Lenham Heath ME17 2JD. **Applications refused:** Land at former sandpit Sandway ME17 2NA.

Cllr. M Ballard reported communication concerning the drainage issues with the development at the Paddocks. A letter will be sent to all Groom Way residents advising of the ongoing situation.

Cllr. M Ballard will check the land registry site to confirm the new landowners of the development site north of Tanyard Farm, Old Ashford Road, as planning conditions have been permitted.

5. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REPORT

MBC have confirmed they are unable to download the NHP Regulation 16 submitted on the 19th December due to problems with their system. Cllr. A Ratcliffe will deliver a memory stick with all the documents of the plan to MBC on the 7th January.

Cllr. R Greenwood wished to discuss the future format of the NHP Group and how we move the plan forward. He has invited Paul McCreery to the next council meeting to present the next steps of the plan, under the NHP report section of the agenda. The public consultation open day of Regulation 16 will be the next event to be organised.

6. <u>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (For information)</u> No correspondence received.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.