Minutes of a Meeting
Held on Saturday 21st April 2018
Council Office, Lyric Theatre, Dinnington.

Present: David Smith (Chairman), David Dixon, Steve Moore (Group Secretary), Debra Bloor, James Simmonds (DSJTC), Pam Cotton, Pauline Davies (DSJTC), Linda Banham, Dave Johnston,

In attendance: A. Towlerton

1. Apologies: Racheal Gyte, Andy Milner (DSJTC), Brian Keeley, Brenda Keeley

2. To consider the key actions from the meeting held on 17th March 2018

Item 4: At the previous meeting the Dinnington Town Centre study report was provided electronically as a high resolution copy. Many members had difficulty printing this off. Andrew Towlerton now has a low res copy available and he will print these off and make copies available to the group via the Town Council Office. Members will be informed when they are available to collect.

Item 7: The East Street former allotment site land valuation has been received. A copy of the East Street final report will be made available.

It was suggested that the Town Council formally write to the school with regard to a meeting to discuss the plot of land required for site access requirements.

Item 9: D.D. informed the group that the list of brownfield sites available for development and which should be shown on the RMBC website are still not available. This should be questioned at any future meeting with RMBC.

Item 3: Although a meeting request with RMBC has been made no response has yet been received. We have been informed that Racheal Overfield, our contact with RMBC will now not be available until the end of the year. S.M. was therefore asked to resend the original meeting request to Ryan Shepherd at RMBC. As our responses to the Rotherham Local Plan were not taken into consideration it was agreed that a meeting with RMBC would now be better once the full Neighbourhood Plan is available in draft form so that it can be presented to RMBC for their comments.

Minutes from 17th March meeting were accepted and approved as a true copy.

3. Response from RMBC re DSJNP submission and meeting request

See above

4. Rotherham Local Plan Update

The Rotherham Local Plan has been commented on and re-leased. Some items that were originally removed from the plan have been put back into it.

The number of houses required for Rotherham has been reduced so it was questioned whether the number of dwelling required for the Dinnington area would also be reduced. The inspector had commented that Rotherham has been over subscribed with sites designated for industrial
development although the number of planned industrial sites in the local plan have not been reduced.

D.S. has recently attended a meeting between RMBC Planning and Dinnington Parish Council. At this meeting it was stated that RMBC will only build 20 bungalows for the whole of Rotherham. This was concerning as due to Dinnington increasing ageing population the need for this type of dwelling is a priority. It obviously questions the housing requirements for Rotherham and Dinnington. At the meeting RMBC could not state the mix of housing required for Dinnington. It was also stated at this meeting that the old wood yard site would site be allocated for housing.

A.T. proposed that in our plan that we place a cap on the housing numbers and discuss the type of housing required at a later date.

A great deal of focus of the group in recent months has been on the housing requirements for the area. It was agreed that we now move forward onto the over parts of the neighbourhood plan chapters so that a full draft plan can be presented to RMBC by the end of May 2018.

5. Revision and Group Suggestions for 123 List

A.T. presented a draft 123 list for consideration. He will also send through to group member’s Key proposals and designations for the plan with specific priorities for developer contributions spending, local green spaces and important community facilities. Members will be asked to comment on these and add or amend any items they feel necessary

A.T. will also send all existing draft chapters to David Dixon. David will assemble these as the neighbourhood plan to date ready for issued to and review by all members.

6. Community Facilities and Local Green Space/Natural Environment Chapter

A.T. issued a list of identified local green spaces to the group. It was requested that members review and confirm these. A draft copy of Chapter 9 ‘Natural Environment’ has also been made available to members for review and comment although this will be re-issued in the fully assembled chapters to be put together by D.D.

A.T. would like to see from the group a list of community facilities that they would like to be protected.

7. New DSJNP timescales

It was proposed that a draft Neighbourhood Plan will be in place by the next meeting. A meeting will be requested with RMBC to take place after the draft plan has been completed.

8. To consider the theme of the next Steering Group Meeting.

As item 7,

9. Any other business

None

10. To confirm the date of next group meeting

A provisional date of Saturday 2nd June has been set. This will be dependent upon the draft Neighbourhood Plan being in place. It is hoped that the draft plan will be in place two weeks prior to the meeting date.

(Apologies received for Debra Bloor for this date)