EXBOURNE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN Minutes of monthly meeting held in the Village Hall on 5th January 2017

Present:

Adam Hedley (AH) Michael Brady (MB) Sally Kenealy (SK) Dorothy Gennard (DG) Gaye Langham (GL)

Action

1	Apologies: Sally Hordern, Nick Kenealy, Shaugna Robertson	
	Building The Evidence Base	
	AH had sent the Group a first draft of the Evidence Base Report and a separate document setting out the key questions and messages arising from each section of the report. The key questions and messages were discussed and the following action points noted:	
	Housing and Population	
2	 The nature of the site assessments that would be presented at the Community Consultation Day was again debated. There was continued concern amongst some members of the Group that the "desktop reviews" undertaken by WDBC were not adequate. This was particularly the case in relation to the sites considered in the latest consultation. MB stated that the community cannot be expected to give an informed opinion on the location of future development without having a complete picture of any advantageous and disadvantageous implications attached to each site. AH agreed to attempt to prepare more informative assessments for review at the next meeting. It was agreed that Stuart Todd should be asked whether the Neighbourhood Plan was likely to pass examination if an affordable housing need had been identified but the community preferred a pattern of small scale development that did not compel developers to build them. MB stated that he would be sending AH some amendments to other parts of this section 	АН АН МВ
	Historic & Built Environment	
	• It was agreed that a question regarding the historic value of Exbourne should be removed as it was "leading". MB said he would look at this again and try to present the relevant question in another manner.	MB
	• DG explained she had seen a comment on the Historic England website that indicated only owners could nominate their buildings to be listed. She agreed to find this reference and circulate it to the Group.	DG
	• MB agreed to provide further explanation concerning the meaning and consequences of an "Article 4 Direction" in relation to the Conservation Area.	MB
	Transport and Communications	
	• It was agreed that the community should be asked whether it was in favour of certain aspirational goals concerning traffic management along High Street, such as creating a footway, narrowing the road, and creating "entry points" to the village.	АН
	 DG raised matters explained to her by Alex Rehaag concerning the brown field nature of parking sites and the potential risk of change of use. It was agreed that more work was required to determine how parking provision could be reliably created and maintained on a long-term basis through the Neighbourhood Plan process. AH agreed to raise the question with Stuart 	

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	 Todd. DG agreed to circulate a summary of her discussion with Alex Rehaag. MB thought that the heading is misleading as the subject matter mainly related to traffic and parking. 	AH/DG
	Community facilities, health, and wellbeing	
	• AH agreed to include a key message emphasising the importance of protecting, maintaining, and encouraging the extension of the network of public rights of way in the parish.	АН
	Employment and business	
	• AH agreed to include a key message concerning the amount of self-employed home-workers living in the village.	АН
	Publicity	
	GL explained that she had been working on an idea to prepare a regular Neighbourhood Plan newsletter in the lead up to the Community Consultation Day that would help inform the community of some of the key questions and messages in advance. This would hopefully help the community to give a considered rather than reactionary response. The Group agreed that this was an excellent proposal.	
3	GL had prepared an initial draft of a possible first newsletter which AH had reviewed. DG wanted to do some further work on layout and AH agreed to resend his marked-up version.	АН
	GL explained a number of different format alternatives that she had considered. AH explained that he felt it important to get some consistency across all the newsletters in terms of look/layout, logo use, type face etc. AH asked GL to prepare a plan for the timing and content of each newsletter. This might then help determine format.	GL
4	АОВ	
4	None	
5	Next meeting Thursday 26 th January 2017, 7:30pm in the Burrow.	ALL

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