

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>EXBOURNE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Minutes of monthly meeting held in the Village Hall on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2016</b></p>
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Present:

Adam Hedley (AH)	Michael Brady (MB)	Sally Hordern (SH)	Dorothy Gennard (DG)
Nick Kenealy (NK)	Sally Kenealy (SK)	Shaugna Robertson (SR)	

**Action**

1	<b>Apologies:</b> Nigel Hoyle, Gaye Langham	
2	<p><b>Building The Evidence Base</b></p> <p><u>Natural Environment</u></p> <p>MB explained that, in some correspondence with West Devon Borough Council ('WDBC'), he had been told that the "Important Open Space" designations in the current adopted Local Plan will carry little weight in future decision making, as they had been made prior to the introduction of the National Planning Policy Framework ('NPPF'). He was told that the NPPF introduced the concept of "Local Green Space" designations, which were now the only recognised tool to protect local green space. MB explained that he had come across other Local Plans with both Important Open Space and Local Green Space designations and had consulted with his brother, a planning lawyer for many years, who felt that WDBC should be made to explain further why the Important Open Space designation no longer applied.</p> <p>MB and DG agreed to prepare a summary of the argument to support the continued recognition of the Important Open Space designation in the Neighbourhood Plan. They would also consider potential sites for Local Green Space designations and possible "Important Frontages". They would prepare supporting documentation explaining why the existing and potential new sites had been identified as important or falling within the NPPF criteria. In addition, they would make a proposal for community consultation on this area.</p> <p>It was agreed that Stuart Todd should then be consulted on their findings.</p> <p><u>Transport and Communications</u></p> <p>AH reported that he had arranged a meeting at the end of the month with Darryl Jagger, the Neighbourhood Highways officer, to discuss highways and parking matters. He had circulated an updated list of questions he proposed to ask which were discussed by the Group.</p> <p><u>Questions for the consultant</u></p> <p>AH explained that he felt there were now a number of areas that Stuart Todd could be consulted on, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open Spaces (see above);</li> <li>• The evidence required for establishing housing figures;</li> <li>• The pro's and con's of making site allocations; and</li> <li>• Extending site assessments beyond WDBC's analysis.</li> </ul> <p>He asked the Group to consider whether there were any other subjects that it would like raised and requested suggestions before September 8.</p>	<p><b>MB/DG</b></p> <p><b>ALL</b></p>
3	<p><b>Consultation Day</b></p> <p>Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup> was proposed as a new date for the community consultation day following postponement of the original event planned for 24<sup>th</sup> September as</p>	

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