

CLAVERDON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN GROUP

Minutes of Group Meeting 9th January 2017

Present

*Mr. J. Cronin (Chairman) : Mesdames. Lorna Perkins : Anne Marshall : Messrs. Dan. O'Donnell : Andrew Williams : Tony Rodger : Councillors Simon Lawton : Hazel Spiers : Nick Dargan : David Middleton : John Horner.
Mr. N. Pierce*

Apologies.

Apologies have been received from Barry Cleverdon, Charlie Waterworth and Paul Thompson, due to other commitments.

- 1 *Minutes of the last meeting.*
- 1.1 *On the proposal of The Chairman and with all in favour, the minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan meeting held on 28th November 2016, as circulated, were approved and later signed as being a correct record.*
- 2 *NDP – Review Sections and Policy Objectives
Policy Groups to put forward proposals for Policy Objectives to be included in the various sections in the Neighbourhood Plan for review and approval.
Consideration was given to version 4.4 of the Draft Neighbourhood Plan and the following points / actions agreed.*
 - 2.1 *Introduction and History Sections*
 - 2.1.1 *The introduction section was agreed as written, Section 2, History of Claverdon, is to be reviewed by Tony Rodger*
 - 2.1.2 *The section on Sports and Leisure, page 8/9 should be amended by Andrew Williams*
 - 2.1.3 *Strategic Objectives to be inserted into a grid by Neil Pearce*
 - 2.1.4 *Overall NDP plan to be reviewed and all sections to be completed by Neil Pearce for the next meeting.*
 - 2.2 *Housing – Councillors Simon Lawton, David Middleton and Mr. Dan O'Donnell.*
 - 2.2.1 *Councillor Lawton said that policies in this respect are being developed and he would be in a position to report back on this at the next meeting.*
 - 2.2.2 *There was discussion as to whether The Neighbourhood Plan should nominate possible development sites on the periphery or outside of The Village Boundary. There is a concern that in the event of doing so it is likely to attract interest on the part of opportunist Developers in putting in applications for larger numbers of houses that would be welcomed. It was agreed that possible sites will not be shown, as neither should infill development sites within the village boundary.*
 - 2.2.3 *The village boundary will be identified. Review needs to take into account land behind school (where 3 affordable homes are to be built) and land along station road adjacent to telephone exchange. Comments made that it might be better to have areas for expansion that we select, else the SDC may well force sites on us. If you look at the map there has been approval granted and there will be 3 affordable home on the site near the school. Why not put that into the village boundary as it will have additional benefits to have more affordable home and some space for the school to expand into. Better to have sites where the land owners are willing to allow building in an orderly and controlled way.*

2.3 Green Spaces

2.3.1 *An edited version of the list of Green Spaces was circulated, in which has been included comment to the effect that the public pathways through the surrounding countryside act as an attraction to ramblers to come in to The Village. The question was asked whether a policy statement should be included in the Neighbourhood Plan document and it was agreed that there should be one saying that they will be maintained in a useable condition for all to enjoy.*

Neil Pierce suggested that a better option would be to have a generic summary Policy to keep all open spaces useable.

2.3.2 *The lay by adjacent to the Butcher's Shop Building was included in the list of open spaces, and after some discussion it was agreed that this should be removed.*

2.3.3 *Both Pubs had been included in the Open Spaces list – it was agreed that they should be moved in to the Community Facilities list.*

2.3.4 *There was some discussion as regarding whether there should be a map of the footpaths included in the Neighbourhood Plan, and it was agreed that they should be included in the one covering all Green Spaces (Figure 5 of Policy NE4 – Designated Local Green Spaces).*

2.3.5 *Neil Pierce suggested that all areas nominated in The Plan should be checked against the Green Spaces Criteria and promised to supply Template for done.*

2.3.6 *Regarding Yarningale Common, Councillor Simon Lawton said that there is a Management Plan for the future care and development of The Common and this should be referred to in the appendix of back up documents.*

2.3.7 *There was some discussion as to whether there should be a policy on general environmental issues and Neil Pierce suggested that there should.*

2.4 Section 7 Built Environment

2.4.1 *Regarding Designated Heritage Assets, there is a standard list of Designated Buildings and the Neighbourhood Plan can cross refer to that list.*

2.4.1.1 *It was noted, in answer to the question being raised, that The Forge is already listed.*

2.4.1.2 *Consideration will need to be given, at a later date, as to whether there are any additional buildings in The Village that should be included in the listing.*

2.4.2 *It was noted that there was a Village Design Statement created (in 1998) which calls for certain criteria to be followed in the design of houses in The Village. Much of this could be usefully incorporated in to the body of the Neighbourhood Plan, although it was felt that some aspects should, by now be updated. The Parish Council is requested to look in to having this done.*

2.5 Infrastructure (Local Economy / Business/ Utilities/Renewable Energy)

2.5.1 Infrastructure (Section 9.0)

2.5.2 *It was agreed that the section as written is satisfactory.*

2.5.3 Leisure, Recreation, Amenities

2.5.3.1 *Under the Sports and leisure section, it was queried whether the Combined Sports Facility, at the rear of The School, should still be 'on the table' for consideration. It has been made clear that without funding from County Council this cannot be considered, and this will not be forthcoming, so this can only be put in as an Aspiration not as a Policy.*

2.6 Road Safety

2.6.1 *Include an objective to have M40 Junction 16 opened up for traffic access in both directions, which would reduce the traffic volume through The Village thus improving the local road safety. Councillor Horner to take this up with the Highways Authority and report back.*

3 Budget – Simon

3.1 *Summary of expenditure circulated with the minutes for the November meeting showed Expenditure to October 2015 £2,811 Expenditure Nov 2015 – Oct 2016 £1,807*

3.2 *Further grant for the period to October 2017 will be submitted shortly.*

- 3.3 *Total Grant Available is nominally £9,000, although there may be extra available in the longer term.*
- 4 *Public Consultation*
- 4.1 *There will need to be public consultations on the Neighbourhood Plan prior to submitting to SDC and a referendum and it was agreed that the first of these should take place at the time of the Annual Parish Meeting in May of this year to inform residents of what they asked for in the questionnaire responses and to gain further input and comments. Councillor Lawton and Lorna Perkins to organise.*
- 5 *Dates of Next Meetings*
Proposed future meeting dates are :- 13th February : 3rd April : 15th May : 10th July.