

Minutes of the Colyton Parish Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

23rd May 2018 7.30pm

Town Hall Boardroom

Members Present: Caroline Collier (Chair), Colin Pady, Steve Real, Elaine Stratford, Helen Parr, Steve Selby, Carol Rapley & Paul Weston plus 4 members of the public

Apologies : Robert Griffin, David Page

Minutes of the previous meeting :- Minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 18th April 2018 were signed as a correct record after the addition of Steve Selby as an attendee

Matters arising: None

Local Green Space Report: The report had been circulated to SG members It was questioned as to why sites owned by the Parish Council or Church needed including. Paul Weston confirmed that it is normal to include sites that meet the criteria, if some were omitted owners might question why there site was not worthy of protection. All proposed sites recommended met the criteria. It was agreed to accept the report and the next step was to notify owners that we are mindful to include their site in the Neighbourhood Plan. Paul Weston to supply a template letter.

Parking Issues: A report of the meeting arranged by David Page attended by 20 people had been circulated. Paul Weston said that many of the comments were not applicable to the NH Plan as they were not related to land use, but a new car park policy could be supported in principle, parking within new developments would qualify as land use. All present agreed that 80% of parking problems in Colyton were caused by human behaviour.

Outstanding Issues: Woodland Groups. Colin Pady had produced a list of sites and a map but the map was not very clear, agreed to source a better coloured map on which to plot the sites.

Ceramtec Development Criteria. We need to know the extent of detail relating to the site to include a policy in the NH Plan. We need to discuss with HCA their plans and jointly devise a Neighbourhood Plan policy that allows them to get what they want and also what the town wants. Meeting with HCA arranged for 30th May 1-2pm.

Housing Numbers. Numbers are moving and we need to check with EDDC what the local plan gives as the minimum numbers required before agreeing a draft plan. The town mill is covered under policy 6, sustainable development

Maps. EDDC be asked to provide a good quality map for the first draft

Updated Project Plan: An updated Project Plan had been circulated. We are 2/3 months behind at the moment. It is hoped to finish a 1st draft plan by mid July, which will then be sent to EDDC to check it complies with strategic policies in the local plan. It should then be available for the community mid to end of September. Hopefully plan to be completed by February 2019.

Form of consultations to be put on next agenda.

GDPR will also need to be addressed

Any other business: Publicity, suggested that for the next consultation a leaflet be sent to every house and also advertised on social media and local press

It was stated that the AONB excludes Colyton & Colyford and maybe should be extended, Paul Weston confirmed that this was not something to be done through the NH Plan, we have gone as far as we can to protect areas in the NH Plan, restricting development outside the green wedge etc. A BUAB for Colyford could be included but this could lead to development whilst without a BUAB Colyford is regarded as countryside and protected from development.

A member of the public asked why Colyford Common, part of the Wetlands owned by Colyford Burgesses was not included. It was explained that the site had been considered but had been excluded as it is covered by wildlife and habitat policies. NPPF is very tight re green space

He also asked if the public could attend the meeting of HCA, this was declined as there had already been two public consultations and we had only asked them to meet SG members.

Agreed to put public question time on next agenda and update Parish Council website with minutes.

Next meeting to be Thursday 21st June at 7.30pm in the boardroom

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed