

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING WORKING GROUP HELD ON 13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2016**

Present: Cllrs Mick Hennessey; Caroline Robinson, Sandra Chapman, Ann Pennington; Jane Stimpson, Jeremy Sherlock, Kathryn Jukes

1. With the Chair and vice Chair being absent it was agreed that Cllr Hennessey would chair the meeting
2. **Apologies:** Cllrs Tony Brookes, Mark Houlbrook, Susan Durant; Jean Walker, Katie Foreman, Rachel Durant
3. **Minutes of the meeting of 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015**– agreed as a true record. A comment was made regarding the large gap between meetings which has resulted in a loss of momentum.
4. **Neighbourhood Plan Draft** – KJ had circulated a draft for comment. JSt advised that she considered that the approach was sound.

The following was discussed and agreed:

- JS and KG to discuss further how to deal with design guides. Any work would be best done now whilst there is support in place (and potentially some funding in 2016-17)
  - The General Policies section should be re-ordered to Housing, Employment, Shopping and Development and Design
  - Para 3.11 needs redrafting in the light of recent schemes (JSh)
  - Policy GD3 – a Town centres boundary plan is needed (JSh)
  - Policy GD5 – some additional comment is needed regarding the flood risk issues which limit site allocations. A schedule of 11 sites has been circulated. These have been subject to formal site appraisals, and will need to be considered for inclusion in the draft plan.
  - Policy TTC6 – a parking assessment is needed for Thorne Town centre. JSt will advise of the appropriate contact in Highways.
  - Policy T4 – a draft list of Traffic management improvements is required (JSh)
  - Policies TCS1 and M1 – a draft list of community facilities has been circulated. Steering Group members were requested to inform JSh about any omissions. It is only appropriate to formally protect the most important, so they will need prioritising for the next meeting.
  - Policies TCS2 and MCS2 – KJ advised that the definition of “Local Green Space” covers small sites of local significance. The type of site that the Neighbourhood Plan wishes to protect covers larger sites, so an alternative policy will be needed. A potential green space schedule has been circulated which will need to be reviewed and ranked for the next meeting.
  - Policy TC5 – South Station - this will require an allocation on the key map.
  - Policy MT1 – Moors Visitor Centre – agreed that an extra sentence would cover the option of an alternative location.
5. A further draft will be prepared for consideration at the next meeting. This will also need to consider which of the site allocations, community buildings and green spaces are to be included. Any exclusions should be identified as part of the next round of consultation.

6. The next meeting will also need to consider the process for consulting on the draft plan.

7. **Next Meeting** – Wednesday 17th February at 7:00pm at the Assembly Rooms

Jeremy Sherlock

Town Clerk