

**Barrowden and Wakerley
Neighbourhood Plan Meeting 23
7.30pm Monday 7th August 2017
at The Village Hall, Barrowden**

Present: Chris Barrett, Sara Barrett, Gordon Brown, Trina Griffiths, Stephen Last (facilitator), Richard Littlejohns, Colin Dunigan Rut CC N'hood Planner, and John C Merritt.

1. Apologies: David Allan, John Haddon, Diana MacDuff and Jean Mitchell.

Welcome given to everyone present including two villagers - Sheila Saunders, and Linda Worrall.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting 3rd July 2017:

- previously circulated, read and proposed by JCM and seconded by CB. Approved by the Group as a true record of the meeting.

3. Matters arising not covered in the Agenda:

- CD agreed to complete his outstanding task (project plan onto a spreadsheet) by the next meeting.

4. Update from the Character and Landscape Assessment Subgroup:

- CB gave a summary of the approaches taken by the sub group leading to the circulation of an updated draft document which was circulated prior to the meeting
- group had looked at ten aspects and info has been extracted from the VDS
- TG took on the aspects of history, topography, and land use - CB took on the rest
- area information gathered by CD and will be inserted in due course and LW will check over aspects of the history section
- CB not entirely happy with the streetscape and added that a revisit is needed on content, illustrations, accuracy, style and readability. A fresh pair of eyes may be helpful.
- CD commented that the narrative should have more emphasis on historical development pattern and effects
- GB commented that the narrative should be kept to the point (succinct and readable) but remains a cross referenced piece of evidence and had examiner importance. The streetscape should portray the evolvments that have taken place but also identifying the design elements
- LW and RL offered their services as fresh pairs of eyes
- next steps planned are additions/accuracy, fresh pairs of eyes, and cross referencing would be done later on

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5. Update from the Development Subgroup:

- a draft subgroup paper was circulated to the meeting members
- GB read through the paper starting with the introduction which set out the basis regarding the policies - appropriateness for the location, community support for future development of smaller dwellings and the adoption/continuance of an infill approach as regards future development
- policy one deals with location and development and meeting with DA is needed to refine Wakerley's specifics
- policy two deals with type and mix of housing and includes support from the consultations with residents - greater support for downsizing and starter homes
- policy three deals with affordable homes and possible further development at Drift Close based on identified need
- policy four deals with the provision for starter homes for younger persons with restrictions to maintain their presence as small dwellings
- policy five deals with infill and windfall developments. Barrowden is identified as a smaller service centre with no allocated sites up to 2036. To help any future possible infill development a supplementary planning guidance document sets out details to be met so integration into the existing housing stock will not be compromised. Views and vistas are another important consideration.
- next step is to arrange a meeting with DA before next D/Plan meeting
- agreed to CD's request that the two draft documents as discussed tonight could be circulated to CD's Associates at RutCC
- CD reminded everyone present that the Consultation Roadshow takes place at Ketton Library on the 09/08/17 and at Uppingham Library on the 22/08/17

6. News of Updated RutCC Local Plan - Developments and Implications:

- features a Special Strategy on P50 - clarity to be sought on villages who opt for the Windfall Option for development
- major concern on the horizon as regards the softening of the policy regarding smaller villages - detail on infill sites as regards back land and tandem development
- some of the approach detail in the Lincolnshire Plan appears to be favourable and should be put forward as revisions via CD to offset any dilutions in the revised Rutland Local Plan
- BPC questions already put forward to RutCC

7. Any Other Business:

- Paper received from the Barrowden On the Move
- N/Plan acknowledged receipt and confirmed that Developments outside the Planned Development Limits will be considered as an exception where the development delivers a community facility and for which need has been clearly indentified, such as a replacement for the existing Barrowden Village Hall
- suggested that the N/Plan Group revisit our Vision and Objectives at the next meeting
- question from LW concerning affordable homes at Drift Close

8. Date of Next Meeting:

- Monday September 4th 2017 at the Village Hall. Out of the meeting due to holiday arrangements the Barrowden Parish Council has requested to take the date of September 4th and our meeting is now rescheduled for Wednesday September 6th.
- a different date for the October meeting needs to be arranged due to the Parish Council Forum being scheduled for the same time

Meeting closed at 21.10hrs