

NEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee of Newick Parish Council held at Newick Sports Pavilion, King George V Playing Field, Newick on Tuesday 6th February 2018 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors: C. Armitage, B. Horsfall, J. Smerdon and K. Wrench

Non Councillor: Mr J Lucas (Chair),

In attendance: Mrs S. Berry (Clerk)

An audio recording was made of the meeting.

1. **Apologies for Absence.** Apologies had been received from Cllrs. M. Thew and C. Wickens
2. **Disclosure by Members of personal interest in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.** There were no disclosures.
3. **Questions or Statements by Members of the Public** – There were no members of the public present at the meeting.
4. **Parish Council owned land between Vernons Road and The Rough** – It was noted that the applications for outline planning permission and for variation of the S.37 planning agreement had been submitted to Lewes District Council and that they had appeared on the previous week's planning list. The Clerk reported that the Planning Officer had indicated that he would be carrying out a site visit on Monday 5th February.
The Clerk reported that several local residents had been in touch with her and that one had asked questions regarding the existing trees and screening. Clerk to respond. **Action Clerk**
It was agreed that the Clerk would contact East Sussex County Council to find out the contact and procedure for consulting on the footpath which runs across the site. **Action Clerk**
It was noted that comments on the applications had appeared on social media and that some of these indicated a lack of understanding as to why the site was proposed for development. A draft statement had been circulated prior to the meeting and subject to some minor amendments it was agreed by the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Committee that this should be published on the parish website
5. **Newick Neighbourhood Plan Policies and Community Actions** – In connection with policy EN5 it was noted that it had been agreed that Newick Common would be designated a Local Wildlife Site but that the official citation had not yet been signed. There was nothing to report in connection with other policies or community actions.
6. **Reports on items being monitored by the Committee**
 - 6.1 The Housing White Paper – There was nothing to report
 - 6.2 The Neighbourhood Planning Act – There was nothing to report
 - 6.3 DLA Legal Challenges – It was noted that an appeal was pending and it was anticipated that this would be heard before the end of February 2018
 - 6.4 Emerging planning applications in line with Neighbourhood Plan – The only item to be reported was progress on Policy H05 discussed under agenda item 4 above. It was agreed that contact should be made with Lewes District Council to ask whether there had been any contact from the landowners or developers of sites identified under policies H03 and H04.
Action Clerk
 - 6.5 Emerging planning applications in neighbouring areas – The list had been updated by Cllr. Armitage and circulated by email prior to the meeting. It was noted that a Public Inquiry had

been held the previous week in connection with application LW/16/0636 (Buckles Wood Field, Banks Road, North Chailey).

6.6 Progress on Lewes District Council Joint Core Strategy

6.6.1 It was noted that the consultation period for the Local Plan Part 2 had ended

6.6.2 It was noted that an application for the development of approximately 400 homes and associated infrastructure in the North Street Quarter, Lewes, had been subject to challenge and that it would affect the District Council's five year housing land supply if, for any reason, the development did not proceed.

7. **Planning Resource Articles** – The daily emails from Planning Resource were still being monitored. It was noted that a great number of developments were being allowed to proceed in places where the planning authority could not demonstrate that it had a five year housing land supply.

8. **Date of next meeting** – It was noted that the next meeting would be held on 13th March 2018.

9. **Items for the next agenda** – It was agreed that all standard items should appear on the next agenda.

The meeting closed at 7.40 p.m.

Signed: **Dated:**

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