

## NEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee of Newick Parish Council held at Newick Sports Pavilion, on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 6.50pm.

**Present:** Councillors C. Armitage, B. Horsfall, J. Smerdon, M Thew (taking notes)  
C. Wickens and K. Wrench.  
Non Councillor: Mr J Lucas (Chair)

**In attendance** Cllr J White (for Item 7 only)

An audio recording was made of the meeting.

1. **Apologies for Absence.** No apologies.
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 Member of the Public.** None.

The Group agreed to bring Item 7 (Community Infrastructure Levy) forward. Cllr Thew thanked the Chair for including this subject on the agenda. There is some urgency in progressing the projects due to the timelines indicated by Lewes District Council, and there has not yet been an opportunity for the new CIL Group to formally meet.

Cllr Wickens gave a short summary of the report that she had compiled following the CIL Open Morning on 30<sup>th</sup> June.

*Standing orders were suspended at this time to enable the input of Cllr J White.*

There is a meeting scheduled for Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July with the project managers and the following Councillors agreed to assist at this meeting:- Cllrs Armitage, Smerdon, Thew, Wickens and White. Cllr Smerdon agreed to hold a brief meeting on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July in order to finalise the format for 17<sup>th</sup>. Cllr Thew agreed to contact Linda Farmer, in the Clerk's absence, to ensure that the four invitations had been sent to the project managers. **Action Cllr Thew**

It was agreed to request that CIL is an agenda item at the full Council meeting at the end of the month, so further progress can be made. **Action Clerk**

*Standing Orders were resumed. Cllr J White left the meeting at 7.15pm*

4. **Parish Council owned land between Vernons Road and The Rough.** We are awaiting advice from our Solicitor regarding the process for the sale of the Land.
5. **Newick Neighbourhood Plan Policies and Community Actions – EN5, EN6, H01.8, TC2, TC3, TC4 & CF3**  
It was noted that some of these community actions are now being dealt with by the appropriate sub-group eg. Environment Committee.

6. **Reports on items being monitored by the committee (where available)**
  - 6.1 **National Planning Policy Framework(NPPF)** Still awaiting final decisions.
  - 6.2 **DLA Legal Challenge** - Nothing to report.
  - 6.3 **Emerging Planning applications in line with the Neighbourhood Plan** , Cllr Armitage had update and circulated the latest list of applications.
  - 6.4 **Emerging Planning applications in neighbouring areas** -, Cllr Armitage had included these in his latest list of application. He mentioned that another District Council in West Sussex had increased their housing numbers by some 20,000 which will have a knock on effect for the infrastructure of the whole area.
  - 6.5 **Progress on Lewes District Council Joint Core Strategy** - Cllr Horsfall stated that there was no progress to report at the present time'
    - 6.5.1 **Part 2 Housing Allocation** The group agreed that the recent e-mail received from Tondra Thom at Lewes District Council was disappointing. Several Councillors had spoken with Mr Kay of CPRE at a recent meeting and he had expressed concerns over the accuracy of the numbers being produced using the new calculation format for housing stock. Cllr Thew agreed to contact Mr Kay and ask him whether he had taken this matter further, and, if so, what was the position.  
**Action Cllr Thew.**
    - 6.5.2 **Progress on meeting national expectations** Nothing to update.
  
7. **Community Infrastructure Levy**  
This item had been brought forward and minuted above.
  
8. **Meeting with LDC Director of Regeneration and Planning** -This meeting is being held on 17<sup>th</sup> August at 10am. Cllrs Armitage, Smerdon and Thew, together with Mr J Lucas, agreed to attend.
  
9. **Planning Resource Articles** - Cllr Armitage is screening the articles in July. August will be covered by Cllr Smerdon. September – Cllr Wrench. October – Cllr Wickens and November – Mr J Lucas. Housing had been in the national news again recently. It was noted that there have been 8 Housing Ministers in the last 2 years. Recent articles indicated high levels of development in nearby Districts, with Affordable Housing still needed particularly in rural areas. There had been no mention of any social housing provision.
  
10. **Items for the next Agenda** - The next meeting of this group is Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August – the usual items should be on the Agenda, and also - Questions for the Meeting with the LDC Director.

**The meeting closed at 7.40pm**

**Signed:** ..... **Dated:** .....

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