HURST GREEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

MEETING #22 - MINUTES

15th September 2020 at 7.30pm

Held in public via teleconference, due to coronavirus meeting restrictions

Attendees: Andrew Brown (in the Chair), Bob Collins, Colleen Burt, Duncan McNab,

Graham Browne, Tania McNab

Apologies: Ian Hirst, Steve Wright

3 members of the public, along with Alison Eardley and Jim Boot (plan consultants) were in attendance.

1. Welcome

Everyone was welcomed to the meeting. The Chair reminded members that as agreed, that following the Steering Group meeting, an environmental policy workshop would be held, for both Steering Group members and members of the public.

The Chair reminded attendees that in accordance with the Neighbourhood Plan Terms of Reference, that this meeting was a meeting held in public, not a public meeting.

2. Update on the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)

Members were reminded that the deadline for comments on the proposed draft scoping report (previously circulated) to be sent by AECOM to the three statutory bodies (Historic England, the Environment Agency and Natural England - as well as to the AONB's Management Unit), to afford them an opportunity to comment on the proposed scope of our SEA was the end of day on the 18th September 2020.

A member of the public asked if the scoping report could be made available. The Chair confirmed that it would be uploaded to the hurstgreen2030.uk website.

3. Decision over the appointment to complete the Landscape and Visual Impact assessments

Members discussed the proposals received and the outcomes of the scoring that had been circulated in advance of the meeting. Following a discussion, it was unanimously resolved to seek to appoint Harper Landscape Architecture LLP.

The Chair confirmed this work would be funded by a Central Government Grant already received.

4. Date of next meeting

The next planned meeting is Tuesday, October 20th 2020 at 7.30pm.