

HURST GREEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

MEETING #37 - MINUTES

17th May 2022 at 7.30pm

Attendees: Cllr. Andrew Brown [AB] (in the Chair), Derek French [DF], Ian Hirst [IH], Cllr. Steve Wright [SW].

Apologies: Bob Collins [BC], Colleen Burt [CB], Duncan McNab [DM], Cllr. Graham Browne [GB], Tania McNab [TM].

1. Welcome

Everyone was welcomed to the meeting. The Chair thanked members that had supported the neighbourhood plan stand at the recent Parish Council Assembly, and reported that Councillors had received a number of positive comments on the work being undertaken by the steering group.

2. Progress status report from Alison Eardley, including to receive a briefing of AECOM SEA progress

The Chair thanked members for continuing to provide their feedback on the neighbourhood plan draft. Thanks was also given to the members of the community who had been assisting in reviewing the various drafts.

It was reported that AECOM had indicated that they were awaiting approval of the proposed housing allocations, and that pending this agreement, that the remainder of their SEA report was to be expected to be completed by early June 2022.

AGREEMENT: *Following discussion, it was agreed to the proposed housing allocations as follows: Site HG11: 7 dwellings, Site HG 6: 26 dwellings, Site HG 22/43: 22 dwellings, Site HG 45: 4 dwellings.*

AGREEMENT: *Following discussion, it was agreed to not remove LGS1 (Community Shop Grounds) from the draft neighbourhood plan at this stage, pending a wider discussion with members of the Steering Group and the Parish Council.*

ACTION: *AE to update the draft neighbourhood plan and to inform AECOM.*

3. Discussion to agree an indicative date for the Regulation 14 consultation

Members discussed the pre-submission consultation (Regulation 14). The group discussed how the Hurst Green neighbourhood plan must meet 'the basic conditions' that were set out in UK planning legislation - these related to having regard to national policy, achieving sustainable development, general conformity with strategic local policy and not breaching EU obligations or human rights law.

Members discussed that once a final draft had been agreed by the Parish Council, that it was Rother District Council, in conjunction with the Parish Council who would subject the draft plan to at least a 6-week pre-submission consultation.

AGREEMENT: *Following discussion, it was agreed that once a suitable draft had been agreed, to recommend to the Parish Council to move forward with the consultation as soon as possible, ideally in June 2022.*

ACTION: *AB to update AE regarding the Steering Group's views on a potential start date for the Regulation 14 consultation.*

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ACTION: AB/SW to update the Parish Council regarding views on a potential start date for the Regulation 14 consultation.

ACTION: AB to update Julia Edwards (Senior Planning Policy Officer supporting the Hurst Green neighbourhood plan) at Rother District Council, regarding a potential start date for the Regulation 14 consultation.

ACTION: NPSG Members to enquire with local businesses, and/or other public locations, whether they would be willing to host printed copies of a future regulation 14 draft of the neighbourhood plan - which would allow members of the community to access a printed draft copy during the future consultation.

4. Items for the next agenda

Regulation 14 consultation.

5. Date of next meeting

The next planned meeting will be on Tuesday, 21st June 2022 at 7.30pm.