

**Draft Minutes of  
BOTTESFORD PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN  
STEERING GROUP MEETING**

**7.30 p.m. Wednesday 22<sup>th</sup> July 2015 – Old School**

Present:

**Steering Group Members**

Bob Bayman (BB) - Chair  
Richard Simon (RS) - Clerk  
Colin Love (CL)  
Susan Love (SL)

**Helpers**

Anne Ablewhite (AA)  
Bob Lockey (RL)  
Alan Gough (AG)  
Karen Gough (KG)

**Agenda**

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

AA asked if she could tape the meeting using her new recorder, there was some objection to this but it was agreed she could proceed on the undertaking that the recording was strictly for her use only and that it would neither be transmitted on nor published.

**2. Apologies for absence**

DW, PCh, RC, NS, SB, VL, JP, WT, ANe

**3. To confirm and agree minutes of the meeting 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

Sue Love asked if John Goodson and Neville Spick were to update the SG on their plans. RS said they had been asked but were not ready to speak further yet.

AA said the majority of people she had spoken to wanted small development sites but there was no objective assessment of this as yet.

There was discussion over who should attend the meetings particularly as we had refused Barratts. BB to take legal advice from NALC and consult with RCC.

Minutes accepted with the exceptions above.

**4. Matters arising and actions from those minutes**

CL referred to the Planning Consultants raised in the correspondence between CL and Studio Partington. This along with the Sensitivity assessment would be on next months agenda.

AA asked if we were letting MBC know too much, BB pointed out that the Neighbourhood Plan must be aligned with MBCs Local Plan.

The report to the council from Regulatory Services suggested that the current balance of 55 Urban/45 Rural should in future be 65 Urban/35 Rural with 15% of the total in the Primary Rural Centres This would mean approximately 230 new build homes in Bottesford over the next 25 years. The 230 figure includes the 56 homes being built in Belvoir Road.

The Governments policy to prioritise brownfield sites was mentioned.

## **5. Parish Council update, Budget Report and Grant Application**

Budget and grant application postponed until next meeting. The report included the result on the Public Engagement Meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June and both MBC and RCC had said the numbers attending were impressive. The Housing Need Survey questionnaires were being distributed and they were due to be returned on the 31<sup>st</sup> July with the report available at the end of August. It was hoped for a good return and good and useful information would be obtained.

CL and SL asked why *Housing Need Survey* was not clearly marked on the envelope and why they were asking for salaries which might put some off returning them.

## **6. 2015/2016 Plan**

### a. Review of the Timing Plan

We are in line with the plan.

### b. Final Residents questionnaire

Some discussion occurred over the Final Resident's Questionnaire

It must be a Yes or No answer to each question , no multiple options given.

RL said we must publicise what we have learned from CABE etc so that the residents are informed when they give their answers.

SL said that it must be able to stand up to external challenge and not be 'fluffy'. BB said that the criteria we had developed to date was not fluffy.

AA said there is resistance to large sites such as those at Bingham.

BB said could we use RLs argument about the advantages of a preferred site?

BB asked AA what was her objection to the preferred site and thought the issues could be addressed and it would still be the best site.

The criteria we had agreed needed to be applied to the SHLAA sites.

BB, BS, CA,RL and SL were to meet to begin writing the questionnaire.

## **7. Planning**

### a. Flood Drawing update.

CL had received a response from EA saying they needed evidence to alter the records and not hearsay.

RS to send the EA letter to PCh and ask to borrow the 2001 Video.

Send a copy of the letter to Peter Sheardown and ask for comments and assistance.

### b. Housing Needs Survey

Nothing further - all questionnaires distributed and returns due with Midland Rural Housing on the 31<sup>st</sup> July.

## **8. Preparation for bringing together a draft plan**

BB, BS, CA,RL and SL were to meet to begin writing the document

## **9. Next month's requests of PC - None**

## **10. Any other business - None**

## **11. Agenda items and date of next Steering Group meeting. – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2015**

Development presentations

Planning Consultant

Sensitivity Assessment