

**Minutes of the Meeting of Aylesbeare Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group held on Thursday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017 at Aylesbeare Village Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** John & Ruth Airdrie; Ken & Val Chun; Katherine Crompton and David Timms

**In Attendance:** Martin Parkes

**Declarations of Interest:** None

**1. Apologies:** Mark Fisher

David welcomed Martin Parkes to the meeting.

2. The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday December 16<sup>th</sup> were approved by the committee (Proposed: Ken Chun and Seconded: John Airdrie)

**3. Update by Ken Chun on behalf of the Parish Council:** The Parish Council are still pursuing EDDC with regard to the levelling of the playing field, but until EDDC are willing to at least give the Parish a long lease on the playing field things cannot be moved forward. Katherine Crompton brought to the attention of the committee the need for a Feasibility Study for this as there had been drainage problems to the listed buildings bordering the field in the past.

**4. Feedback from the consultation:** 35 Replies have been received in response to the consultation document. Our consultant, Martin Parkes, suggested these should be divided into three groups:

1. Statutory Organisations (Highways, Environment Agency etc.): There were 9 responses from these organisations. There were no major problems and the small adjustments to the NP will be done by the consultant.

2. Local Clubs, Groups and Societies: 6 responses were received expressing no concerns. Some mentioned that any new housing would bring new people into the parish whom may support these groups.

3. Residents: Responses were received from 16 households. Of these, 14 were against the proposed development behind the pub site, and 2 were in favour. Those against the development represent 5.4% of the homes in the parish.

**Martin Parkes to advise on the outstanding duties of the Steering Group:**

Martin advised us that there were two further documents that had to be completed.

1 .Consultation Statement: This document lists all the work that has been done towards formulating the Neighbourhood Plan from the first day of its conception. We have already paid for this document to be prepared by the consultant.

2. Basic Conditions Statement: this statement outlines that the plan is in general conformity with : EU regulations, National Planning Policy Framework and Guidance and how the plan is in general conformity with the EDDC plan. It was suggested that Tim Spurway and Martin would work together on this document.

**At this point Martin Parkes left the Meeting**

The committee decided by 4 votes to 2 to retain the section on Housing Development behind the pub in the draft Neighbourhood Planning Document.

**6.To decide on the need for the continuation of the Steering Group:**

The ownership of the Neighbourhood Plan rests with the Parish Council. The Steering Group, acting on behalf of the Parish Council, agreed to create an evidence based Neighbourhood Plan. The committee now feels that this work is complete and that the Steering Group would come to an end. This was a unanimous decision by the 6 members present. It was also agreed that individual members of the group would assist the current Chairman and Clerk to the Parish Council when required to complete any outstanding administrative work.

The Steering Group proposed a Vote of Thanks to David Timms for his leadership as Chair, who in turn thanked all members of the committee for their hard work in enabling the group to produce the draft Neighbourhod Plan.

**7.Matters arising: None**

The meeting closed at 9,20pm.