

## MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

### Report of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Present: J Marsden Chairman

Also Present: J Baldwin K Cotton J Finnigan J Gibbon  
R Jolly B Morgan S Rose J  
Weston T Weston

Apologies H Woodman R White

The Working Party was pleased to welcome the return of S Rose and J Finnigan to its meetings.

#### 1. Declarations of interest

No interests were declared.

#### 2. Report of 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017 meeting

The report was accepted for submission to the Parish Council, subject to the correction of including B Morgan in the list of those present.

#### **ACTION**

A copy of the corrected version to be forwarded to the Parish Clerk by the Secretary.

#### **Matters Arising from the Report**

##### **a) Contact with Social Housing Groups**

T Weston reported on his collaboration with County Councillor Barry Durkin in contacting Social Housing Groups with regard to developing the sites identified at Old Pyke and Hazerdine. Although some interest was expressed, the small sites did not offer economies of scale in their development. It was anticipated that the Social Housing Groups would look into this further.

The Working Party was reminded that the need in the Ross-on-Wye Local Housing Market Area had been identified as being for Social/Affordable and 2/3 bedroomed properties and that the term 'Affordable' referred to housing at 80% of market value.

##### **b) Cycle Loop**

The Chairman sought and gained the approval of the Working Party to contact Bella Johnson of the Ledbury Cycling Group to consult about a proposed Cycle Loop in the Parish (draft NDP Issue T12). The Parish Council is likely to be involved in the outcome of this consultation.

#### **3. Progress Report on the Production of the Neighbourhood Plan**

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He requested the support of Working Party members R Jolly and J Finnigan in checking the final Regulation 15 draft NDP when available.

Settlement Maps produced by J Weston were presented and formally accepted by the meeting for inclusion in the final Regulation 15 draft NDP. J Weston was thanked for her contribution.

It was noted that the maps would be re-drawn by Herefordshire Planning in the final publication of the Neighbourhood Plan so that a consistent standard could be applied across all published Neighbourhood Plans in the county.

The Chairman hoped that the final Regulation 15 draft NDP submission would be placed before the Parish Council at their meeting on 13 December.

#### **ACTION**

Once finalised, the Regulation 15 draft NDP would be forwarded to T Weston in order for him to arrange the production of printed copies for Working Party members and Parish Councillors before their respective meetings on 12 and 13 December.

### **4. Summary of Process for Regulation 15 Submission**

#### **ACTION**

The Regulation 15 draft NDP would be forwarded to K Johnson to enable amendments of the SEA/HRA.

#### **ACTION**

In addition to the Consultation Summary Report, the formal Regulation 15 submission process requires a written Consultation Statement and Compliance Statement (with NPPF, NPPG & Core Strategy policies). The chairman proposed to prepare summary versions of both statements in tabular form.

#### **ACTION**

R Jolly to assist J Marsden in production of the Compliance Statement.

### **5. Planning Applications Glebe Orchard and Land adjacent to Roseland, Dymock Road**

Brief reference was made to the two current outline planning applications.

#### **ACTION**

The Chairman was requested to contact K Johnson concerning the impact on the Regulation 15 draft NDP submission process should approval be granted to either or both of these applications.

There may be a need to revisit the Regulation 15 draft NDP in these circumstances.

The observation was made that Herefordshire Council has advised that draft NDP does not become material until after Regulation 16 consultation has been completed.

#### **ACTION**

The Chairman was asked to attempt to gain the support of County Councillor Barry Durkin to contact the Senior Planning Officers of Herefordshire to request 'call in' for decisions by Committee, rather than delegated officer decision, of the current applications with some material consideration of the Regulation 15 draft NDP.

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## **6. Next Meeting Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

J Gibbon

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