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**MINUTES OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16th May 2018, 8.00 PM,
THE WESLEY CENTRE, PADDOCK WOOD.**

PRESENT:

John Flashman (Steering Group member, Heritage Group & Town Councillor)
Jeremy Thompson (Steering Group member & resident)
Mark Noterman (Steering Group and Green Infrastructure group)
Anne Newman (Steering Group member & resident)
Rebecca Roberts (Steering Group and Green Infrastructure group)AM
Meryl Flashman (Chairman of Steering Group, Town Councillor, Heritage Group)
Carol Williams (Steering Group Secretary, Town councillor and lead for Sports & Recreation Group)
David Henshaw (Steering Group, Town Councillor, Heritage Group)
Sarah Hamilton (Steering Group member, Town/Borough/County Councillor & Lead for Heritage Group)

APOLOGIES:

Richard Barsley (Steering Group member, member of PWBA and lead for Town Centre Group)
Mike Ridger (Steering Group member, Chairman of PW Athletic Club, Sports and Recreation Group)

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 18th April 2018 were approved as accurate.

2. Vacancy on Steering Group:

Although John Hall has expressed an interest in joining MF has been unable to contact him. It was agreed that CW should make a further attempt before the vacancy is re-advertised.

3. Information items arising:

MF referred to the paper circulated with the heading: 'About This Paper' which is the feedback from TWBC, with sections in italics highlighted in yellow from Richard Eastham (Feria). The Steering Group need to review this prior to the next meeting. MF will pull out action points and put these on agenda for next month. Steve Baughan is now in charge of Neighbourhood Planning at TWBC. MF reported that the comments were supportive rather than critical, despite the wording and largely relate to the background papers. Steering group needs to look through the comments and make amendments to documents where required.

DH raised the issue that we need to know where future sites will be. MF discussed what is happening in the wider Borough re future developments, stating that these issues will be discussed at Town Council on Monday. Richard Eastham has advised MF to meet with TWBC to see if we can get information about proposals for Paddock Wood, especially as we need to know what is happening north of the railway line.

RR asked about the planned development sites and whether the NP would impact on them. MF explained that the NP will not impact on these, although CW informed the group that environmental monitoring is required for these developments. MF explained that she is awaiting Town Council elections before making an appointment to see Steve Baughan, so that issues and roles are not confused by any changes in positions.

4. Access & Movement Policy:

AM1: It was agreed to restore the reference to the Elm Tree and pedestrian access. For other changes see the revised draft document attached.

5. Community Centre Consultation:

MF has booked display boards for our next meeting and pointed out the dates in Andy's notes (circulated by email prior to the meeting). Councillor Eileen Wilson is leading several smaller consultation events with individual groups e.g. Scouts, Church Groups. All the feedback from the May event and these sessions will be collated into one document when the sessions are completed and will be made available to the group.

6. Other information:

TW Local Plan:

MF reported that this has now slipped to the spring of 2019. It is not clear why, but the Borough realise that they need to progress this as quickly as possible.

Facebook:

Sarah Mewett's marketing report was circulated: there has been a stable number of likes and the item that reached the most people was the steering group vacancy. There was a post from Sarah about people's perception of TWBC doing as they please regardless of objections from local residents. This was discussed, with reference to the Civic Centre and local developments and it was agreed to post Karen Fossett's reply to the civic centre question on Facebook. The group agreed that Sarah Mewett should be left to manage posts to the Facebook page.

There was no other business for discussion.

7. Date of Next Meeting:

Wednesday 20th June, 2018 at 8 pm.

8. Dates and times of future Steering Group meetings: 18th July, 15th August, 19th September, 17th October, 21st November, 19th December at 8pm