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MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 11TH AUGUST 2015

PRESENT: Cllrs. Mrs. S. Daniells (Chairman), J. Cosgrove, P. Dillon and Mrs. J. Warr

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. S. Green (Project & Street Scene Support Officer)
Mrs. H. Knight (Civic & Support Services Manager)

The meeting opened at 6.27 pm

16. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllrs. A. Cunard, T. Gardiner and P. Wells

17. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members and Officers were reminded to make any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and/or Ordinary interests that they may have in relation to items on this Agenda

Members and Officers should declare an interest by stating:-

- a) The item they have an interest in
- b) Whether it is an Ordinary Interest and the nature of the interest
- c) Whether it is also a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

They then need to re-declare their interest and the nature of the interest at the commencement of the item or when the interest becomes apparent. They should request that it be recorded in the Minutes that they will leave the meeting and will neither take part in discussion, nor vote on the item.

In accordance with good practice, individual forms were available to those Councillors present in order that they could personally record their interests - both Disclosable Pecuniary and Ordinary. These forms should be returned to the Committee Clerk at the end of the meeting to enable all declarations of interest to be accurately recorded in the Minutes. Members were reminded that it is their responsibility to notify the Monitoring Officer of all Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, not already recorded on their Register of Interests Form, within 28 days.

The Committee noted that there were no Declarations of Interest made at this point in the Meeting.

18. **CONSIDERATION OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT INCLUDING MODIFICATIONS, AMENDMENTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROGRESSION TO THE NEXT STAGE**

Copies of the Independent Examiners Report and a modified version of the Neighbourhood Plan highlighting his recommendations had been previously distributed to the Committee. Members considered each point and **AGREED** to accept the examiners recommended changes but would ask the Committee Clerk to negotiate with Arun District Council on the following points:

Modification 10: “To amalgamate policy 8 with 8a” – Members felt that amalgamating the two would make the policy too complicated and would ask Arun to consider leaving them separate. This was also the opinion of the Planning Aid Officer

Modification 13: “In Policy 8f delete provisions d) and f)” – Members would ask Arun to consider leaving point d) in place. It is not intended to restrict the height of future developments but to protect the natural visual connections as described in the policy and identified within the Characterisation Study 2014 and accords with ADC vision and the Masterplan.

A review of the boundaries on the site specific and greenspace designation maps was also undertaken with some alterations being made. Members **AGREED** that following these discussions they were happy for the final revised version of the Neighbourhood Plan to be re-submitted to Arun District Council and then to Full Council prior to referendum. It is anticipated that the referendum will take place in early October however dates are awaited from ADC. The next Committee Meeting will include consideration of promotion and publicity of the referendum. It was noted that the next scheduled meeting on the 31st August was a Bank Holiday and would need to be postponed. It was **AGREED** that the Committee Clerk would re-schedule and publicise the revised meeting following discussions with the Planning Aid Officer regarding timescales.

During discussion concern was raised regarding the Coach Park in London Road. It was noticed that the park was full to capacity at the weekend and there is no provision for overflow coach parking causing congestion on the seafront. Members **AGREED** to refer this to the Environment & Leisure Committee for consideration.

The Meeting closed at 7.56pm