

Battle Parish Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Minutes of the meeting held on 20 April 2017 at The Almonry, Battle

1. Attendance:

Committee Members	Present	Absent with apology	Absent No apology
Maurice Holmes Chairman	✓		
Sylvie Pry Treasurer	✓		
Matt Mitchell Secretary	✓		
Cate Sullivan Press Officer			✓
Sue Burton	✓		
Tom Gray	✓		
Margaret Howell	✓		
Richard Jessop		✓	
Bev Marks	✓		
Alan Russell	✓		

2. Previous Minutes:

These were approved.

3. Welcomed David Marlow, Planning Policy Manager from RDC

4. Finalisation of Display for Public Consultation

David Marlow pointed out that we need to display those sites that have been rejected and show the criteria for their rejection

Action: MH to amend display to show this information

Housing & Development will have 2 maps
ACVs/ Green spaces/protected buildings - Displays created by AR & BM
All approved

All other display items were in hand with various members

Members volunteered to man the Display:

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Thursday eve: MM, SB, SP, MH
Friday BM, MH, SB (pm)
Saturday SP,BM,TG, SB,AR,MH

It was noted that we will need expert planning advice to guide us through the process. MH informed the group that he has sent out tender documents to 3 potential consultants with a return date by 27 April, to coincide with BTC policy.

We will then appoint a consultant to see us through to the end of the plan.

David Marlow informed us that there is a further £6000 grant to assist with these costs, this is available to apply to via www.mycommunity.org, this will need to be applied for via BTC.

David Marlow also pointed out that help would be available from RDC, County Highways, AONB unit, along with our new consultants advice.

5. Any other business

David Marlow said in very clear terms development quotas are not negotiable and must happen.

He also indicated that we have been given a number of areas of incorrect information, which we will address promptly, such as development boundaries.

He also advised us that we need to get the plan to regulation 14 by the end of October 2017 with a view to completing our draft submission by Jan 2018 to fall in line with RDC's timetable.

The chairman responded positively to this to which all members agreed that this is possible.

6. Date of next meeting:

Imperative to invite the new consultant to our next meeting.

Action: MH to invite once consultant is approved.

17 May 2017 at 7.30pm, subject to consultants availability - Date TBC

Action: MM to book Almonry & Advise date confirmation

Matt Mitchell
Secretary
21.04.17