

# Bromham Village Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (BVNPSG)

## Minutes of meeting No.12 held on

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, 7:30pm, Social Centre Committee Room

### Present

Peter Davey, Mark Dollimore, Victoria Hodgson (Wiltshire Council link officer), Tye Lohrenz, Rachel Prichard, Catherine Read, John Schofield, Greg Wilkinson

### Unable to attend

Jim Butler, Richard Butler, Adam Collins

### Agenda

#### 1. Minutes of meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Accepted.

#### 2. Review of actions

Owner	Action	Progress
Catherine	Contact Crown Estate to try to arrange a meeting	Waiting until we have a clearer picture about what may be needed
Peter	Try to run focus group session with footpath group	
Peter	Fill in expression of interest and application forms for Locality funding – to find out where we are lacking the appropriate information	Forms are online, aiming to discuss them at a Parish Council meeting
Peter & Catherine	Attend a Parish Council meeting to liaise about funding for the plan.	Done £2000 allocated to NPSG April 2018 – April 2019 + room hire fees.
Jim	Find out how much Potterne spent in developing a neighbourhood plan.	
John	Photograph and distribute images of the flipcharts from meeting on 26/6/18	Done

**All:** Read the documents referred to in the email from Victoria Hodgson e.g. strategic environment assessment &

### STAGE 1 (Scoping) Step 3 (Develop objectives priorities and vision)

#### 3. Introductions for Victoria Hodgson and summary of activity so far

A summary of activity so far was presented to Victoria.

#### 4. Questions for Victoria Hodgson

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### a. What are the next steps towards getting Wiltshire Council to designate Bromham as a neighbourhood area?

We need to complete a scoping document containing the ideas and issues that have come from consultation with residents of Bromham, and thus will represent what the community has told us. This is to be supported by evidence from desk top research.

### b. What do we need to provide to WC by way of an application to become a neighbourhood area?

We can fill in a Wiltshire Council Neighbourhood Area Application Form at any time. There will be a 6 week consultation on this before we can be designated as a Neighbourhood Plan area. We should do this now so that this consultation runs in parallel with other activities.

Having uncovered the issues from consultation we can propose things and seek opinions on them.

We need to do a Strategic Environmental Assessment – we could try to do this ourselves, then send to Victoria. It is likely that we would then need expert advice to complete the SEA.

It would be good to keep an eye on the West Lavington NP – they are in a similar situation but a bit ahead of us in planning.

### c. What are the options for providing and funding affordable housing?

WC core strategy deems the need for affordable housing in developments over 5 houses, but challenges have pushed this to 10. So for developer led sites we would need to allow for more than 10 houses to get any affordable housing.

Community led housing could be an interesting option as it would allow us to put forward a rural exception site outside of the settlement boundary, which would only ever obtain consent for affordable housing development rather than open market development. Victoria Hodgson suggested that we contact Victoria Bodman ([Victoria.Bodman@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:Victoria.Bodman@wiltshire.gov.uk)) to find out more about this.

#### **Other discussion:**

WC have just sent the new site allocation plan to Westminster for approval. The site allocation plan does not include large villages, other than Market Lavington, and so does not set any specific target for Bromham. However early in the process of creating this plan some site allocation work was done for Bromham and this may be useful to us.

**Victoria:** To dig out some early site allocation work done on Bromham and send details to the group

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Through the Neighbourhood Plan we can change the settlement boundary – if we can provide the evidence to justify doing so. However If we do then any developer can come in to build within the expanded boundary – so we wouldn't have control over affordable housing there. Potentially we could have pockets of settlement elsewhere, i.e. not adjacent to the existing settlement boundary.

Anything inside the settlement boundary is treated has the principle of development and anything outside is considered as open countryside so has different rules / criteria for planning.

**Victoria:** To find out which local NP areas have changed the settlement boundary.

### **What do we need to send to WC / Victoria to move forwards?**

**Victoria:** will look at our draft findings report and to provide feedback on what is missing.

We can then add the missing information to make a scoping report. It is also a good idea to look at other people's plans to see what the inspectors have approved.

### **5. Consultation with local businesses**

The Local business focus group has been completed. However we really need to engage more with:

- farming / agricultural businesses
- self-employed people (some covered in 30-40years group)

### **6. Planning of open focus group meeting**

Idea: hold open session at Napes Cakes in The Owl (Tuesday & Wednesday 11:00 – 14:00)

**Catherine:** to propose a date then advertise it

### **7. Desk based research & evidence gathering**

We need to progress this so that we can establish the evidence to support the consultation findings. We set a target of the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August to circulate the following to the steering group:

#### **a. Familiarity with Wiltshire Council Local Plan**

**Catherine, Tye, Mark** – to work on this as a group.

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### b. Character assessment of the parish

**John, Peter, Rachael, Greg** – to work on this as a group.

**John:** sent the draft Character Assessment to the others.

### Other Business

#### 8. Next magazine article

Due by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August – Mark volunteered to write. The column should be submitted in a plain Word document emailed to [inspirebromham@gmail.com](mailto:inspirebromham@gmail.com) and copied to John.

Aim to reflect some of what we have learned from the community engagement so far.

**Tye:** to drop off the brochures at the Church, in time for the August magazine collation.

#### 9. Time and date of next meeting (due on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September)

Agreed

#### 10. Any other business

We could put the banner up for a time – to promote the group.

**Catherine:** to put it up by the conservation cemetery.

**John:** Check date for Harvest Supper – as an opportunity to talk to people about our findings.