



Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee Meeting of Alderholt Parish Council held remotely at 7.00pm on 4th February 2021.

PRESENT:

Cllr D Tooke, Chairman, Cllr A Butler, Deputy Chairman, Cllr S Butler, Cllr S Greenland, Cllr A Hibberd, Cllr G Logan, Cllr K Mason, Cllr M Smethers (until 7.22pm), Stan Broomfield, Charlie McEwan, Cllr Gavin Fauvel (Cranborne Parish Council), Robin Neave, Mike Roberts, Ros Sinkinson, Chris Walker and Tanya Wynyard.

Ms L Ellis, Parish Clerk

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions the meeting was held remotely via conference link. The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020, which came into force on 4th April 2020, gives Parish & Town Councils the power to do this until May 2021.

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8/21	<p>WELCOME FROM THE CHAIRMAN & APOLOGIES <i>The Chairman, Cllr Tooke welcomed all in attendance to the (remote) meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee. He explained members of the public were welcome to attend meetings and would be able to speak at the meeting at the discretion of the Chairman. Instructions were provided on how the Committee should use the conversation and mute facilities.</i></p> <p>The Chairman stated that there had been confusion as to why the agenda was laid out as it was and clarified that 8th February and 8th March 2021 were ordinary meetings of Alderholt Parish Council. The 9th March 2021 meeting would be a special meeting of Alderholt Parish Council and would be considering the findings of the working parties relevant to the Local Plan Consultation and the Neighbourhood Plan. Therefore, the agenda was laid out as such and in the rightful place.</p> <p>There were apologies from Cllr R Stone and Simon Woodley.</p>	
9/21	<p>TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND/OR CONSIDER THE GRANTING OF DISPENSATIONS None so far</p>	
10/21	<p>NAME CHECK FROM EACH OF THE PARTICIPANTS As this was a remote meeting, each participant provided a name check</p> <p>At this point, Cllr Steve Butler proposed a motion to reverse the order of the agenda, thereby Item 5 - Update from Working Parties would become Agenda Item 6 and Agenda Item 6 - Dorset Council Local Plan Consultation would become Agenda Item 5. The Chairman stated that they were not prepared to do this and would not allow the motion.</p>	
11/21	<p>TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN COMMITTEE It was agreed that the Minutes of the meeting held on 21st January 2021, were a correct record.</p>	



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<p>12/21</p>	<p>UPDATE FROM WORKING PARTIES</p> <p>Circulated separately and attached as Appendix ‘1’ to these Minutes were the update reports from the Working Parties.</p> <p>During discussion the following were raised and discussed:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phosphates were a major issue in the Avon catchment area, which included Fordingbridge. This was currently a bigger issue than the SANG and the point needed to be made that it was a significant interest in the catchment area. • Options that landowners to the south of Alderholt had signed. • Lack of affordable housing. • Percentage of residents who would respond to the Local Plan consultation and its statistical reliability. • Opportunities that would come to Alderholt if development was to go ahead and the required infrastructure. • Climate and ecological issues that had been identified and would need to be included in the recommendation to full Council. • Continued engagement with the residents of Alderholt to raise awareness of the consultation and the need to respond. • Issues around the downloadable response form on Dorsetforyou.com • Process for collating a robust and coherent recommendation from the Neighbourhood Plan Committee to full Council. <p>The updates were noted.</p>	
<p>13/21</p>	<p>DORSET COUNCIL – LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION</p> <p>A general discussion was held on how to formulate a recommendation to full Council on the Local Plan Consultation</p> <p>Discussion initially centred around Option One and Option Two. It was then further suggested that an additional option be consider, which would state that there should be no further development in Alderholt, except for the 192 units already granted permission. This would then be known as Option Three.</p> <p>The following points were raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any further development would be reliant upon Fordingbridge Town Council, New Forest District Council and Hampshire County Council. • Confirmed that Dorset could achieve its housing targets without the additional Alderholt numbers. • Schools in Cranborne went through peaks and troughs. They were currently going through a trough and were under subscribed. Discussions were being undertaken to keep the schools open. 	



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	<p>Therefore, any statement regarding schools being oversubscribed would need to be substantiated, for example a middle school in Alderholt would have an impact on Cranborne and Fordingbridge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If journeys to schools were reduced this would lead to a reduction in greenhouse gasses. Currently, middle school children were being bussed to Cranborne and to the upper school at Wimborne. An East Dorset survey in 2011 stated that Alderholt had the most commuters in the county – 80%. An extension to Alderholt, without considerable employment opportunities, would be against policy as it would contribute to an increase in greenhouse gasses. • Possibility that the surgeries in Fordingbridge would not be able to accept any further Alderholt patients. Compounding recruitment issues. • Some form of additional housing would support St James First School, as at present the school was not full. • The work which had already been undertaken, along with the report which had been circulated and attached at Appendix ‘1’ would be a good starting point. This, along with the public responses, would then be considered by Alderholt Parish Council for their response to Dorset Council. • The basic proposal would be that the Neighbourhood Plan Committee would reject Options One and Two but would support an Option Three. • Cranborne Parish Council were using a template to formulate their response to Dorset Council and it was agreed that a copy of this template would be forwarded to Alderholt Parish Council. • Councillor Logan agreed to pull together the response from the Neighbourhood Plan Committee, with assistance from Cllr Steve Butler and Chris Walker. <p>It was agreed that the Neighbourhood Plan Committee did not support Options One or Two of the Dorset Council Local Plan Consultation document. However, they did support a third option (Option Three) which proposed no further development in Alderholt, except for the 192 units already granted planning permission.</p> <p>ALL IN FAVOUR</p>	
<p>14/21</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee would be held on 3rd March 2021 at 7.00pm and would be to recommend to Alderholt Parish Council a response to the Dorset Council Local Plan Consultation.</p>	

Meeting ended 8:38 pm



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Minutes Approved:

Chairman's Signature:

Date:

Chairman's Initials;