

BEARLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP (NPSG)

MINUTES OF THE INAUGRAL MEETING

Held on Monday 22 June 2015, 7.30pm at Village Hall

Introduction

Stephenie Hawkins opened the meeting.

Stephenie thanked Cllr Erinmez for introducing the NPSG as part of the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting that preceded the inaugural NPSG meeting.

Stephenie explained that she is a local resident and a qualified and practicing town planner and therefore has an interest in neighbourhood planning in Bearley and wishes to take an active role. The establishment of the NPSG by the Parish Council facilitates this. However, Stephenie stressed that she is acting as a local resident, and not as a professional advisor, and that the NPSG is for all residents that wish to take a part to do so.

Presentation/Open Forum

Stephenie gave a presentation on:

- (a) The District Council's Core Strategy, focusing on the Inspector's Interim Conclusions, how this is likely to influence housing development in Bearley, and implications for the Bearley Neighbourhood Plan.
- (b) The NPSG, focusing on its roles, membership and meetings.

There was open discussion about neighbourhood planning in Bearley, including the identification of a potential Built Up Area Boundary, the definition of limited infilling and identification of potential development sites. A possible Built Up Area Boundary as drawn by the District Council was displayed. Wider planning issues within the village and District were discussed, together with consideration of national planning policy.

[Post meeting: The presentation, including the possible Built Up Area Boundary, will be made available on the village website. Paper copies can be obtained from Stephenie Hawkins]

Formalities

Those present were invited to join the NPSG. It was stressed that membership is open and people can join (and leave) at any time.

Members came forward as follows:

- Stephenie Hawkins
- Caroline Taylor
- Ken Lillie
- Carolyn Phillips
- David Hotten
- Jonathan Smith
- Steven Evans
- James Maiden
- Arslan Erinmez (Parish Councillor)
- Jo Wall (Parish Councillor)

Appointments were made as follows:

- Chair: Stephenie Hawkins
- Secretary: Caroline Taylor volunteered to take this position on a temporary basis [Post meeting: Carolyn Phillips has volunteered to be Secretary]

Next Meeting

Monday 3 August, 7.30pm, Village Hall