



Medbourne Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee

**Minutes of MNPAC Meeting held on Wednesday 18 January 2017 19.30  
Medbourne Village Hall**

**Present:** Bernadette Lee, David Nance, Lynn Easton, Tim Gidley-Wright, Martin Delaney, Bill Barrie, Trevor Pemberton, Meriel Godfrey, Caroline Jack, Paul Griffiths, Gary Kirk, (YourLocale)

**1. Apologies:** None

**2.** Bernadette Lee welcomed all to the meeting

**3.** There were no Declarations of interest or requests for dispensation

**4. Minutes of the meeting** held on 16 November 2016 were approved with no amendments.

**5. Matters Arising**

**5.1. Awards for All application:** BL updated the committee that we were successful in being awarded £10k to be used within 12 months although if necessary an extension could be applied for. It was noted that a condition of the award is that the Big Lottery Logo is displayed on publicity. MD agreed to look at the logo information and format as necessary.

**5.2. Parish Online:** BL confirmed that we have signed up for a year

**5.3. Stakeholder Response:** The list of responses has been updated. These have been shared with Theme Groups where appropriate

**6.** There were no members of the public present

**7. Parish Council Meeting Report** - Tim Gidley-Wright reported that there was nothing relevant to the MNPAC

**8. National & local policy update**

**8.1. Ministerial Statement** – It has been announced that Parishes with an NP only have to demonstrate a 3 year land supply rather than a 5 year supply required where there is not an NP in place. Without a five year supply of housing, Local

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Plans can be deemed obsolete, hence the increase in approved planning applications. Once the NP is in place you only have to demonstrate a 3 year land supply. (although that is subject to a legal challenge by developers)

**8.2. Strategic Environment Assessments (SEA):** This has gained importance and once the NP is submitted for Regulation 14 consultation the Local Authority will undertake a screening exercise to assess any detrimental effect on the environment. This has impacted locally and Historic England has come back to insist on a full SEA in Great Glen and in Great Easton. It could add a considerable workload if required. Therefore there is a need to respond to Historic England to confirm our designated area as they had indicated that it included Nevil Holt which is a Grade 1 listed building and to be aware of the implications when considering NP policies. **DN**

**9. Project Plan** – An updated plan was circulated. Key areas of change were in relation to developing strategy, writing the policies and the public consultation event planned for May. The Questionnaire is scheduled to go out in February

**10. Landowner Letters and responses** – BL shared the number of responses received and who they were. There had been a mixed response of wanting to develop, possibly wanting to develop and not wanting to develop. It was acknowledged that the identification of possible sites may be in conflict with areas designated as of environmental or heritage importance and it was therefore agreed that Theme Groups needed to ensure that they cross-referenced with each other in relation to any possible conflict. Any recommendations will be referred to the Advisory Committee for discussion and decision. **MG/MD/DN**

## **11. Public Engagement**

**11.1. Young People** – MG has been discussing with RB about contacting young people. Believed that the best time would be at half-term or Easter. Will be moved forward **MG**

**11.2. Future Village Consultation Event** – Provisionally planned for 13th May

**11.3. Questionnaire** – Theme Groups to undertake a sense check and comments to BB by 10 February at the latest to be signed off at the MNPAC meeting on 15 February. The aim will to then get it out as soon as possible after that date. **MG/MD/DN**

**12. Theme Groups:**

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- 12.1. **Heritage and the Environment** – Have made very good progress on all areas including a photographic record. Reports completed as are the Maps
- 12.2. **Community, Economy and Transport** – A meeting a week ago with a new facilitator. This gave greater focus. At the moment the focus has been on research but acknowledged that much will feed into other areas. It was hoped that the response to the Questionnaire will provide further information
- 12.3. **Housing** – The most recent meeting was the previous evening and two further meetings were planned. Significant progress has been made with consideration of the evidence to justify the plan. The next steps are to undertake a Sustainable Sites Analysis which should be completed by the next HTG meeting on 7 February

**Planning Policy Pitfalls (presentation) This was deferred for a future date**

**Date of next meeting Wednesday 15 February 2017 at 19.30**

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