

**MINUTES OF MEETING NO 37
OF THE BOURTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING GROUP
HELD AT SANDWAYS FARM AT 7.30pm ON MONDAY 20th APRIL 2015**

**Present: M Withers, P Withers, P Overington, G Overington, A Scott, D Scott,
N Hall, B Martin.**

Apologies: F Gillett

15.45 Minutes of Meeting No 36

These were accepted as a true record

15.46 Matters Arising

Item 15.36 MW had chased Nick Cardnell at NDDC and all responses to the SA Scoping Report had now been received. MW had been unable to write to landowners of the alternative sites because of the unhelpful and amended response from the agents acting for the owner of the VHMC's preferred site.

Item 15.39 PW had not been able to amend the Consultation Statement to incorporate Planning Aid's comments. This would be done for the next meeting.

15.47 Declarations of Interest

NH as a member of the VHMC. MW/PW as neighbours of the VHMC's preferred new village hall site.

15.48 SA/SEA Report

The group discussed the recent email received from the agent acting for the landowner of the VHMC's preferred new village hall site. This had detailed a proposal very different from the one discussed with the VHMC and brought into question the suitability of proceeding with siting the new village hall there.

It was agreed that MW and the PC Chairman should have a meeting with members of the VHMC and request that they seriously question why the current proposal differed so much from the one they thought they had agreed and which had been presented to the village. It was also agreed that the VHMC should be invited to send a response to the landowner's agent broadly in the form that MW had prepared, asking why the proposal had changed.

MW reported that there had been a late response from DCC Planners to the SA Scoping Report concerning their Minerals Policy. MW agreed to send this out to the group but its effect could only be judged when the group had met with NDDC which was now re-arranged for 6th May 2015.

15.49 Neighbourhood Plan

The chairman thanked BM and DS for their work on the drafts of the NP policies. The group then went through these and made various amendments. **BM** agreed to incorporate these amendments and re-circulate the documents to the group.

MW mentioned that he had received various emails from a member of the Wildlife and Habitats Group concerning Bourton's SNCIs and DS suggested that it might be a good idea to ask Dorset Wildlife Trust to survey both the SNCIs and the rest of the Neighbourhood Plan Area for sensitive flora and fauna and their habitats.

It was agreed that **DS** should ask the individual to raise these issues with the PC, which was the correct forum, rather than the NP. **MW** agreed to liaise with the Clerk to the PC so that discussions could be initiated.

15.50 Basic Conditions Statement

It was agreed that it is too early in the process to complete this document.

15.51 Consultation Statement

This document is to be updated as the process of public consultation continues.

15.52 Programme

It was not possible to assess the impact of the delays to the NP programme brought about by NDDC's problems with their emerging Local Plan. This would be reviewed following the re-arranged meeting on 6th May.

15.53 Budget/Funding

Again, because of the delays it was not possible to accurately assess the funding necessary to complete the NP process.

15.54 Communications

Nothing worthwhile to report at this stage.

15.55 Any Other Business

There was none.

15.56 Date of Next Meeting

This was arranged for Tuesday 12th May at Sandways Farm at 7.30pm.

Neighbourhood Planning Group - Action List from Meeting No 37

Item 15.46 **PW** to amend the Consultation Statement to incorporate Planning Aid's comments.

Item 15.48 **MW** and the PC Chairman to meet with members of the VHMC and request that they seek clarification from the landowner's agent why their current proposal on terms for the VHMC's preferred new village hall site differed so much from the one they thought had been agreed.

MW agreed to send out the late response from DCC Planners to the SA Scoping Report concerning their Minerals Policy.

Item 15.49 **BM** to incorporate the latest amendments into the NP and re-circulate the document to the group.

DS to inform the member of the Wildlife and Habitats Group that surveys of SNCIs and the rest of the Neighbourhood Plan Area should be initiated by the Parish Council. **MW** agreed to liaise with the Clerk to the PC on this issue.