

Minutes of the fourth Winterbournes and Hurdcott Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
Held on 1st October 2013 in the Black Horse Inn, Hurdcott

In attendance:

Steve Bucknell (SB), Chris Campbell Jones (CCJ), Peter Ostli-East (POE), Steve Eley (SE), Peter Biggins (PB), Richard Folkes (RF)

1. SB agreed to chair the meeting.
2. Minutes of the 3rd Meeting (1st May 2013) were accepted.
3. Matters Arising: SB suggested that the MA be deferred to the agenda, except for a minor amendment to the ToR, which were approved by the Parish Council at their June meeting, save the change of title to "Winterbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan". This was approved *nem con*.
4. Membership

Terry Hall had resigned from the group as he and his wife intend to leave Wiltshire in the near future.

Jenny Lewys had stood down due to pressures of work.

The group expressed its gratitude to both former members for their work to date.

Apologies were received from Nigel Arkell and Mervyn Pannett. Mervyn had volunteered to continue as chair on his imminent return from France, which proposal was carried without a vote.

5. Wilts Core Strategy. This was yet to be ratified, though adopted in 2012 and distributed in paper form. A single change had been made to the Amesbury Community Area, including Porton, Shrewton, Tilshead and Winterbourne, which had been allocated 690 homes to be built by 2025. POE said that large areas of housing would attract Section 106 recompense from the developer to the PC.
 - a. SB said that the PC had two reasons for support of the NP:
 - i. In the absence of a NP, the village has little influence over future developments, planning of which is left in the hands of the developers.
 - ii. In the absence of a NP, the village receives 15% of Sect 106 funding, which rises to 25% on adoption of a NP. Such funds are the only source of extra funding for the use of the village, e.g., park, amenities, roads, etc.
 - b. RF said that group needed a large scale map of the village, and to "walk the course". He asked the relevance of the planning boundary.
 - c. SB said he thought the rule would be relaxed
 - d. The group agreed: to obtain a map (SE to discuss with TH); to hold a meeting to discuss possible locations for development; to hold a site meeting with GPS and camera.
 - e. SB agreed to find the recommended densities for housing development
 - f. It was agreed that CCJ would draft a letter for the PC to send to the Commandant of DNBCC, to elicit MOD's plans for the development of the Centre.
6. Village Consultation. It was agreed that the group would seek to produce a simple plan, easily put to public consultation, suitable for the parish notice board. CCJ agreed to contact John Brown regarding a posting to the Parish Website publicising the activities of the group.

7. The group decided to attempt to build a dialogue with other established groups within the village, inviting representation from the Historical Society. PB agreed to ask Nick Robinson for suggestions regarding possible contacts over wildlife interests in the area.
8. Finance. In JL's absence, she sent SB a link to an questionnaire designed to establish the eligibility of the plan for central funding. The consistent message was that the group is in need of more expert help, needed to raise some funds, possibly to pay for professional help – SB and PB agreed to discuss this issue with the PC.
9. AOB
 - a. It was agreed that our plans were currently too immature to merit a further meeting with the Link Officer
 - b. It was agreed that we should meet with Mike Hewitt after the planned map-based recce.
 - c. RF agreed to host the next meeting of the group, and it was agreed that Maureen Atkinson of the Historical Society should be invited.
10. DONM – the next meeting has been provisionally fixed for 19:30 on 29 October, at St Michael's House, Winterbourne Earls