

Minutes of a Public Meeting of the Mawnan NDP Steering Group held on 28 January 2019 at The Bowling Club, Mawnan Smith

Present: Terry Damer (Chair); Dennis McQuillan (Sec); Peter Stokes (Treasurer), Richard Martin, Mick Hartley, Georgena Morris, Jackie Whibley, Jon Holt, and 9 members of the public.

1. Apologies: Cllrs Graham Marsden and Rex Sadler, Carrie Gilmour, Melissa Mercer.

The meeting opened at 7.00 p.m.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting (17 Dec 18) had been circulated. No alterations had been requested and the Chair accepted them as a true record.

3. Matters Arising

The action to develop policies under item 4 was ongoing. Item 6 - Kath Statham was not in a position to undertake writing the LCA document but would provide oversight of drafting work; no costs were involved. A National Trust map of land ownership in the Parish would be obtained via Jackie Whibley. (*The map is now with the administrator.*)

4. Vision, Objectives and Policies – Next Steps

a. Overview. The Chair outlined recent discussions with Sarah Furley (CC Planning) following his provision of a Statement of Engagement 2016 – 2018. She agreed that a further questionnaire would not be required as enough evidence to allow a draft plan had been gathered. The next step should be to draft the plan with the assistance of a consultant; it would be screened for a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and a Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA). The draft plan would provide further opportunity for community engagement.

b. Consultant. Jon Holt briefed the SG on the appointment of James Evans (JE) as our NDP Planning Consultant. Jon Holt advised that he, the Chair and DM had met with JE on 19 December 2018. JE provided details of his experience and credentials of dealing with NDPs generally and demonstrated his knowledge of Mawnan parish. As a result it was decided to appoint JE (subject to funding) to produce a draft plan which would be sufficient for CCC examination for compliance for SEA and HRA. JE set out the information he would require from the Steering Group to enable him to produce the document. Jon stressed that much of the required evidence is available from the Questionnaire output. On a query about JE's competence, Jon assured the audience that with 15 plans already drawn up and high recommendations from other NDP groups, we were confident of his ability.

c. Environment. The Environment group had undertaken considerable work and would meet shortly to determine their policies. They needed clarity on the material and/or references that the consultant would require. It was agreed that a face-to-face meeting with him would be very beneficial.

Action: Administrator to set up a meeting for all working groups with the consultant.

d. Leisure and Tourism. Jackie Whibley accepted that the group had been in hibernation but that she would prepare a summary of the data held and meet with businesses and leisure services to determine policies.

e. Business. The Chair reported that Carrie Gilmore had decided to step down from the Steering Group owing to family commitments. An appeal for a new leader of the group would be made via the newsletter. In a later appeal to the audience, Malcolm Leather indicated that he would be able to assist with a letter to businesses to discover whether they had any development plans and what policies might influence their operation.

(Subsequent to the meeting Simon Shel Drake had indicated his willingness to form a new business group comprised of himself, Malcolm Leather, Martin Barlow, Ruth and Barry Walker, and Nick Rawley.)

f. Draft Plan. In lieu of a further questionnaire, which could provoke a poor response, it was essential to promote a 6-week public consultation exercise on the draft plan to engender a wide response. This is known as a Regulation 14 exercise under the NDP planning guidelines.

Action: Working Group and LCA Leaders

5. Finance

The end of grant report for the period Apr – Dec 2018 had been completed. A budget for the period Jan – Mar 2019 had been submitted to cover:

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| Professional fees (Consultancy) | £2100 | |
| Room Hire | £150 | |
| Publicity | £300 | |
| Stationary | £250 | |
| Website | £30 | |
| Mileage | £100 | Total: £2930 |

Locality had accepted the application for funds which were now with the Parish Council.

6. Any Other Business

- a. To a query from the floor regarding relations with the Parish Council (PC), the Chair noted that 3 members of the Steering Group were councillors and liaised accordingly; he also attended PC meetings and briefed the Council on a 2-monthly basis. In the coming months it would be essential to have closer relations as the Draft Plan develops.
- b. Carbon policies should be reflected in the NDP. The Chair would attend a Conference on Climate Change and NDPs on 9 March 2019 at Tremough Campus. Details for anyone else wishing to attend are on the Eventbrite website.
- c. Dennis and Jon Holt would attend a briefing by the Cornwall Community Land Trust on 20 February 2019 to determine how the trust could assist in achieving affordable housing.
- d. Cornwall CC had redesigned their planning service structure. Area Team Planning would embed a planning officer into each of 8 areas to provide greater continuity and knowledge of the assigned area. Jon Holt would attend a briefing on the scheme on 13 March in Falmouth.
- e. Jackie Whibley informed the meeting about the Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) concerns for rural amenities and infrastructure. She has provided the Administrator with their analysis which could influence amenities policy.
- f. The Chair reiterated his view that the social (community) infrastructure in the parish was especially strong and policies should be adopted to ensure their sustainability. Currently, the working group was leaderless, and effort was needed to remedy the situation.
- g. Raised by the floor, the Daily Telegraph had recently produced an article on ancient footpaths. Jackie Whibley as the PC "rights of way" officer would investigate their existence within the parish. Public footpaths were important to the parish and would feature in the LCA and, likely, under amenities and tourism policies.

6. Next Meeting

The next public meeting of the Steering Group would be held in the Bowling Club at 7.00 pm on Monday 18th February 2019.

The Chair thanked those present for their involvement and the meeting was closed at 8.15 pm.

T Damer
Chair
Mawnan NDP

11 February 2019

VISION

In 2030, the unique current character and visual amenity of Mawnan Parish as defined by its status of wholly AONB or an Area of Great Landscape Value and its special coastal and estuarine shores and rural landscapes, are enhanced and protected by allowing future development only in accordance with policies defined within the Neighbourhood Plan.

OBJECTIVES

- HOUSING

To permit housing development iaw the Local Plan by means of infill or rounding-off and, within those developments, to make provision for homes that provide low-cost living to meet local housing need in perpetuity.

- DESIGN AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT

To support development that is high quality, respective and responds appropriately to the landscape and village-scapes of the Parish and the form and character of its natural and built environment.

- NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

To protect and enhance the unique landscape character of the Parish, including the AONB, ecology, biodiversity, and native trees and hedges.

- HISTORICAL

To protect, enhance and celebrate the important heritage of the Parish, including Listed Buildings, ancient monuments, locally important buildings, and ancient field patterns and features.

- SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE (Amenities)

- To support and safeguard social infrastructure by providing a high quality of life in our Parish with community facilities, open spaces and services to meet changing needs.

- To safeguard those facilities and local green spaces that are special to the local community.

- BUSINESS

To support and encourage local businesses particularly in agriculture, tourism, leisure, craft and creative industries, ensuring that people have good opportunities for and access to local employment, skills improvement and education.

- RENEWABLE ENERGY

- To encourage any development to utilise minimum use of energy.

- To permit carbon-free energy production.

- TRANSPORT

- To permit schemes that seek to overcome traffic congestion within the main settlement area.