



Bramshott & Liphook Neighbourhood Development
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Minutes of the NDP Meeting held on Tuesday 20th October 2020

Exempt Session

Present:

Chantal Foo (vice-chair) - Chairman
Louise Bevan
Darren Ellis
Jeanette Kirby (Parish Council)
Eliza Margrove
Sumi Olsen (Parish Council)

Absentees:

Raine Ryland

Also in attendance:

Eddie Trotter (Parish Council)
Don Jerrard (Parish Council)
Christine Hill (Working Party)

The meeting commenced at 21:15, minutes will be prepared by J. Kirby from the recording of the meeting.

1. Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman advised that the meeting was being audio and visually recorded for the purposes of the minutes.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were none declared.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

EM suggested that there should be a note of apologies for absence received, and again queried the use of the word Chairman and vice-chair. EM queried whether the author of the minutes should be mentioned. CF responded that this has not been required for previous minutes but will see if this is necessary. CF confirmed the minutes are checked by several people before issuing.

Approval of the minutes was proposed by JK, seconded by DE, all in favour.

4. Housing Number

- (i) EHDC had provided further comments following questions raised by SG members, the response had been circulated to all SG members. Vicky Potts of EHDC had confirmed that the three sites that EHDC have currently allocated in their draft Local Plan will not be changed by a request for a housing number. If a housing number is requested now then that number will be in addition to those sites. CF emphasized that EHDC are



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allocating strategic housing sites, if the NDP request a housing number the NDP are obligated to allocate these housing numbers within the Parish. DE queried whether any housing number allocated in the NDP would count towards future housing requirements at the next EHDC Local Plan review. CF will seek clarification from Locality and also ask if the NDP can request a housing number when a review of the Local Plan and NDP is due in the future.

EM asked for clarification on the pros and cons of requested a housing number. CF outlined various pros and cons: if a housing number was requested this would be in addition to the sites already allocated by EHDC; having a fixed housing number would give more weight to the NDP if the community asked why more housing was being allocated in addition to those allocated by EHDC; it may hinder EHDC in giving the parish more housing in the future since more housing has been allocated at this time; requesting a housing number at this late stage would involve more work and slows the process further for the NDP; there is no way of knowing what a housing number would be, and the effect on the NDP; a housing number would also have to be requested from the SDNPA. The advantage of not having a housing number means the NDP do not have to find sites for a specific number. Having a housing number may result in further pressure from developers to fulfil those numbers as it will likely require the allocation of larger sites. Some members of the public may ask why the NDP are allocating housing if there is no official housing number to meet, community benefits may justify this. JK pointed out that if the housing number was lower than that required to bring forward community benefits, members of the public may question why the NDP is promoting a greater number of houses.

- (ii) A recommendation to request a formal housing number from EHDC and SDNPA would have to go to the Parish Council for consideration and decision. The proposal was "Who is in favour of recommending to the parish council that the NDP has a housing number", there was no support for this proposal. CF then proposed that "the NDP does not recommend to the parish council that the NDP has a housing number", all in favour, 6/6.
5. (i) and (ii) These items were deferred to the next meeting due to lack of time.

The meeting closed at 21:26