

## HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

### Meeting of the HEBDEN ROYD & HILLTOP PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN JOINT COMMITTEE held 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022

#### MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Slater, (Chair after minute 65), Greenwood, Kimber, Lomax.

**Also:** Anthony Rae in capacity of Technical Advisor

**Clerk:** E Green

**65. ELECTION OF CHAIR & DEPUTY CHAIR FOR THE NEXT SIX-MONTH ROTATION**

It was moved by Cllr Kimber  
Seconded by Cllr Greenwood and

**RESOLVED:** That Cllr Slater be the chair for the next six months until the meeting immediately following the 4<sup>th</sup> of January 2023.

It was moved by Cllr Kimber  
Seconded by Cllr Slater and

**RESOLVED:** That Cllr Greenwood be the deputy chair for the next six months until the meeting immediately following the 4<sup>th</sup> of January 2023.

**66. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANY SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were received from Cllr Lacey, with Cllr Lomax attending as a substitute. Apologies were also received from Cllr Freeth and Cllr Hodgins.

Members of the committee expressed disappointment that there was no representative present from Hebden Royd Town Council.

**67. MEMBERS' INTERESTS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS FOR THIS MEETING.**

There were no interests declared.

**68. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE ADVISORY MEETING HELD MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2021 NOT ITEMISED ON THIS AGENDA.**

Cllr Greenwood referred to point 3. There had been some contact with officers at Calderdale Council regarding the growth of 'Air B&B' and holiday lets in the local area, and policy and taxation related to this. However, there had not as yet been an informative response, and this is something that Heptonstall Parish Council continues to pursue.

**69. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROCESS UPDATE**

AR provided an update regarding the Local Plan (which affects the process of the Neighbourhood Plan) It was outlined that CMBC had now published a Major Modifications to the Local Plan document which will be available for consultation between July and September of this year. This document outlines the major changes that the inspector requires, and the potential impacts. The policy relating to Rural Exception Sites (which would include Mytholmroyd) has been amended to facilitate to the building of new affordable homes that are mainly for rent. This matter was considered carefully and the potential impact of this on the overall principle of the plan, of development on brownfield valley bottom sites, not on greenbelt, will need to be fully understood.

It was moved by Cllr Slater

Seconded by Cllr Kimber and

**RESOLVED:** To contact Aecom with regard to the major modifications document, and to construct an appropriate response to CMBC to be submitted during the consultation. Hebden Royd Town Council as a whole must also be alerted to this change in policy.

CMBC will be contacted to clarify the timeframe of the local plan, as this will dictate the timeframe for the Neighbourhood Plan.

**70. AECOM – DRAFT REPORT ON HOUSING SITES AND POLICIES**

As part of the site assessment Aecom considered all of the sites in the area that had been previously included in the local plan. The purpose of this was to confirm that they were not suitable and that as such there was a need to allocate additional sites. However, on considering the sites allocated by the Neighbourhood Plan, these are now not appropriate for allocation. In some instances, this is because planning applications have since been approved, or it may relate to flooding etc. The plan now needs to consider how many sites there will actually be and what purpose these will serve.

It was moved by Cllr Kimber

Seconded by Cllr Greenwood and

**RESOLVED:** to feedback to Aecom and ask for their technical view on where this leaves the Neighbourhood Plan and what the next steps should be.

**71. AECOM – DRAFT REPORT ON CALDERDALE COUNCIL REG14 CONSULTATION COMMENTS**

The report was considered, and it was felt that the comments provided by Aecom did not give a strong enough steer for the committee to appropriately respond to the Reg 14 comments submitted by CMBC. However, it was highlighted within the meeting that the item of the Major Modification of Rural Exception sites which is most important and that the next stage of engagement should focus on clarification about the potential implementation and impacts of that policy.

**72.**

**FUTURE MEETINGS & NEXT STEPS**

Anthony as Technical Advisor will arrange a meeting with the Clerk of HRTC to discuss the Major Modifications. The next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan will be on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

## **HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Meeting of the HEBDEN ROYD & HILLTOP PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN JOINT COMMITTEE held 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022**

#### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT: Councillors: Greenwood (Deputy Chair), Crowther, Hoyle, Kimber, Lacey, Patient.**

**Also: Anthony Rae in capacity of Technical Advisor  
One member of the public**

**Clerk: E Green**

- 235. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANY SUBSTITUTIONS**  
Apologies were received from Cllr Freeth, Hodgins and Boggis for Hebden Royd Town Council and also Cllr Slater with Cllr Crowther substituting for Heptonstall Parish Council.

Cllr Kimber welcomed the Mayor of Hebden Royd Town Council, but it was noted that the committee remained disappointed that a majority of Hebden Royd members elected to the committee had failed to attend the meeting.

- 236. MEMBERS' INTERESTS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS FOR THIS MEETING.**  
No Interests were declared.

- 237. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE ADVISORY MEETING HELD MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022 NOT ITEMISED ON THIS AGENDA.**  
There were no matters arising.

- 238. CALDERDALE COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN MAIN MODIFICATIONS CONSULTATION**  
Anthony Rae reported on the LP Main Modification consultation process and the response that had subsequently been submitted by the Neighbourhood Planning Committee. Issues such as the definition of affordable housing were highlighted, and most importantly the lack of detail and clarity of the Rural Exception Sites policy and the understanding of the impact that this may have on the Neighbourhood Plan area.

- 239. SECOND HOMES AND HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA**  
This issue has been raised by both Hebden Royd Town Council and Heptonstall Parish Council. It was discussed how the Neighbourhood Plan may seek to address this issue and it was highlighted that to

incorporate this issue within the neighbourhood plan there would need to be an appropriate evidence base which would take time to collate.

It was Moved by Cllr Kimber

Seconded by Cllr Patient and

**RESOLVED:** To write to CMBC to establish what powers they have at their disposal or intentions that they may have with regard to this issue and to seek to identify how the Neighbourhood Plan might include appropriate policy.

It was moved by Cllr Lacy

Seconded by Cllr Crowther

**RESOLVED:** To write to CMBC to ask what taxation strategies exist and might be implement in order to manage this issue.

**240.**

**AECOM – TECHNICAL SUPPORT PACKAGES**

Anthony Rae gave a detailed overview of the current situation. There are a number of Technical Support Packages which are being provided by Aecom including the Site Assessment which is the latest piece of work. This work cannot be progressed until the issues and impacts of the Rural Exception Sites policy have been identified.

**241.**

**REDESIGNATION OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AREA**

The Committee discussed the requirement to redesignate the Neighbourhood Plan area, however, it needs to be mindful that the outcome of the local plan examination may impact the Neighbourhood Plans ability to deliver the core principles which it set out at the beginning of the process.

It was resolved by Cllr Patient

Seconded by Cllr Kimber and

**RESOLVED:** to communicate o CBC that the committee is minded to seek redesignation, however it must await clarification on the main modification and the adoption of the local plan.