

# PAIGNTON NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

- Blatchcombe
- Clifton with Maidenway
- Goodrington, Roselands & Hookhills
- Paignton Town
- Preston



## **DRAFT MINUTES OF A FORUM & STEERING GROUP MEETING**

held in the Gerston Chapel Hall, Torquay Road, Paignton  
at 6.30pm Thursday 15 January 2015

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### **In Attendance:**

Jim Bonfield, A.M. Box, Carole Box, Pam Bristow, Roger Bristow, Tracey Cabache, Cllr.Ian Doggett, Eileen Donovan, Lorna Gardner, Eddie Harris, Alan Hill, Janet Jones, Nigel Jones, Helen Kummer, Leaf Lovejoy, Aaron McCluskey, Mr and Mrs Melbourne, Sam Moss, Melvyn Newbery, Richard Parish, Mike Parkes (Minutes), Martin Rolfe, Rosemary Rolfe, Ken Rowe, Richard Stevens, Ann Waite, David Watts (Chairman), David Wotton.

### **Apologies:**

Anne-Marie Curror, Ian Curror, John Gibson, Mike Gotham, Paula Hermes, Karen Jemmett and David Pickhaver.

### **AGENDA ITEM – 1. APOLOGIES RECEIVED AND WELCOME**

1. David Watts, the Chairman, welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Gerston Chapel for the use of their hall. Apologies received were as listed above.

### **AGENDA ITEM – 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST FORUM & STEERING GROUP MEETING (18 December 2014) AND MATTERS ARISING**

2.a. There were no matters arising and the draft minutes of the meeting held on 18 December 2014 were agreed a true record. Proposed by David Wotton; seconded by Sam Moss and approved unanimously.

#### **2.b.Yannons Farm Departure Application(s) (P/2014/0983&/0701)**

- This is known locally as Jackson's Land and is separate to an adjacent area also known as Yannons Farm which is already under development.
- The Chairman displayed on screen a letter that had been circulated prior to the meeting and also on the Forum's website. As agreed at the last Forum meeting, this letter had been sent to Torbay Planning Department highlighting amongst other objections, changes to the housing and employment numbers, for example, the 50% employment figure had not been adhered to contrary to the recommendations in the Employment Land Review by the Council that the Forum has supported.
- DW also pointed out that other objections to this departure had been submitted by others. It had been stated in the Council's screening of the application that an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) was not required. However, concerns about the need for further information had been raised by consultees. Further details could be found on the L.A.'s planning website,

2.c. **Forum Resources** The current position was reported and noted to be:

#### **i. Locality Grant expenditure:**

Leaflets (24,200 +15,800)	£2,751
Posters (40 x A1 + 100 x A3)	460
Committed purchase Graphic design & printing	<u>3,789</u>
Total	<b>£7,000</b>

#### **ii. Resources at 15 Jan 2015:**

Forum Bank Account	£2,482
Committed purchase graphic design & printing	3,789
Fronrunner Grant balance	<u>15,427</u>
Total	<b>£21,698</b>

iii. **Insurance.** DW raised the need to review the position regarding public liability insurance for any public events the Forum might be engaged in the coming months. He reported that DCLG had so

far been unable to advise on the matter. NJ offered to speak to the Chairman after the meeting about an advisor that he thought might be able to help. Additionally, Tracey Cabache offered to email the Chairman information about Seaway Insurance who also might be able to give advice.

### **AGENDA ITEM – 3 PROJECT PLAN PROGRESS – STAGE 3**

3.a.i. **Local Plan update** (since EiP). Attention was drawn to the following post hearing document bundles:

- PH 1 – Further Info from Council to Inspector (*20 docs*)
- PH 2 – Inspector's Initial Findings (*21 paras*)
- PH 3 – Emails between Council & Inspector (*5 emails*)
- PH 4 – Inspector's Further Findings (*9 paras*)

3.a.ii. **Key points**. Referring to the recent Inspector's report and the above documents, the meeting noted the following:

With reference to the Inspector:

- The findings are not final and are subject to further responses
- The Local Plan is 'not sound' but can be made so by modifications (there are over 100 major and minor modifications)
- The 'net migration problem' has been recognised
- There is support by the Inspector for 10,000 homes but not higher
- It is also recognised that this job growth is aspirational and therefore might not be achieved
- Draft modifications now include downward review option
- NP's might not deliver sufficient sites beyond 2017 (i.e. 5yrs from 2012)
- Everything must be in the public domain

Related:

- Infrastructure response in PH1 – also, there is no reference to Yannons Planning application 0983. Drainage issues have not been addressed
- The Teignbridge Judicial Review is now out (on website)
- The full details of the English Nature response to Torbay LP is still outstanding
- Lack of planning to address cumulative mitigation measures

Next steps:

- Ensure that the Forum sees any further exchanges between the L.A. and Inspector
- The Forum needs to be ready with response to the required Modifications (due 2 Feb – 16 Mar) and the possible reopening of the Examination in Public (EiP)
- Continue with the leaflet distribution to every household in the NF area and drafting of the Neighbourhood Plan
- The Chairman asked for assistance with these 'next steps' and the following volunteered their help: Carole Box, Roger Bristow, Nigel Jones, Geoff Milburn and Martin Rolfe.
- Tracey Cabache agreed to chase and forward emails regarding council exchanges with the Inspector

3.b. **Household Projections**. The DCLG household projection update is due sometime during February 2014 and will include projections beyond 2021. DCLG base their projections on ONS statistics.

3.c. **Neighbourhood Plan, Objectives and Policies**. The 'Draft 7 version' now included Clennon Valley, Clifton with Maidenway and Preston and had been circulated in advance of the meeting. Any further suggestions and amendments were welcomed and should be forwarded to the Chairman. SM commented especially on the low quality of some new housing stock and thought that some Section 106 or CIL money should at least be required from developers to ensure the installation of a comprehensive set of energy measures. DW asked SM to email these suggestions. With reference to Preston, Tracey Cabache pointed out that she thought there had been a change of view point regarding Preston's earlier suggestion of an artificial sea reef and asked that DW consult with the group of divers who had first raised this idea. Draft 7 version of the Neighbourhood Plan was then approved with no abstentions or votes against.

**AGENDA ITEM – 4. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting is Thu 19 Feb 2015 (*LP Modifications due out*) at 6.30pm in the Gerston Hall, Paignton with further dates already agreed as:

- Thu 19 Mar 2015
- Thu 16 Apr 2015 (*EiP reopens?*)
- Thu 21 May 2015 (*Elections*)
- Thu 18 Jun 2015 (*Adopted LP?*)
- Thu 16 Jul 2015
- Thu 20 Aug 2015
- Thu 17 Sep 2015
- Thu 15 Oct 2015
- Thu 19 Nov 2015
- Thu 17 Dec 2015

The meeting closed at 2045hrs.