

## **NPAG Housing Group**

### **Minutes of meeting 7.30pm 20 June 2016**

**Present: Graham Mold (Chair), Lawrence Osbourne, Brian Clapham, Dave Havergill, Kate Davidson, Derek Doran (Your Locale), Helen Denton-Stacey (HDS) (Parish Clerk**

**1. Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed all to the first meeting proper of the NPAG Housing & Built Environment Group.

**2. Apologies**

None.

**3. Welcome to new members – Kate Davison and Helen Denton-Stacey**

The Chairman welcomed the new members to the Group and all members introduced themselves.

**4. Approval of previous minutes**

The Group approved the notes of the introductory meeting held on 6 June 2016.

**5. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising not discussed further down the agenda.

DD did note that there has been further clarification on the target number of new houses for Swinford which will now be in the 34-49 range. The Group further noted that two houses are now being built where Primrose Cottage used to be, and a further two on 12 Kilworth Rd. It was noted that with the impending planning application for The Berries (9 houses), these together mean that we will have already allocated 12 of the Swinford target.

**6. Review of documents circulated**

The Group moved on to commence a brainstorming of the documents circulated (as noted in the previous meeting notes). It was noted that item (ii) List of landowners had not been circulated yet and this is carried forward.

The Group discussed a number of key themes arising from the documentation:

- Inadequate parking provision raised in the questionnaire
- We need to check with the school on future numbers as these are assessed years ahead (GM)
- The impact of additional houses on the school, parking, roads, and public services such as bus routes need to be considered
- The areas identified for development were discussed, including their status, concerns raised in the Questionnaire and open meeting
- It was agreed that we should look at the suitability of other potential sites beyond the four sites identified by HDC, and landowners will be contacted later in the process

- General agreement that the provision of affordable homes is a key factor, but we need to check what likely demand might be
- LO and DH volunteered to look at derelict and redundant sites to see if there were any obvious potential sites
- The current limits of development need to be reassessed during our work

DD noted that he will circulate additional information for our consideration in advance of the next meeting, specifically a housing needs survey which has been carried out for Swinford, and an analysis of key census data for the village.

It was also agreed that the Group should assess the suitability of the four sites identified by HDC and set out in the questionnaire – Your Locale will do this on our behalf, and DD will present a proposed criteria for this review for our approval at the next meeting.

It was agreed that GM would summarise the points raised and that the Group would complete this review of the documentation at the next meeting.

**7. Next meeting**

The next meeting is on 29 June 7.30 at the Village Hall.

**8. AOB**

None.

The meeting was closed at 9.01pm.