

Report on the 44th meeting of the Gurnard Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, held at 38 Worsley Road, Gurnard on the Thursday 5 October 2016 at 6.30 pm.

Present:

Bede Townsend (Chair), Councillor Nolan, Jonathan Pearson, Bede Townsend and John Slater (on speaker phone)

1 Apologies for Absence

There were apologies received from Councillor Fuller, Carl Blenkinsop and Richard Cobden.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2016 had been previously circulated.

4 New Draft Plan

- a) An amended version following the previous meeting has been circulated over the summer break, with several revisions suggested by Jon. These were agreed by all present.
- b) The list of Community Assets (policy CS3) as amended by Jon and Carl was agreed by all present.
- c) The map showing the sites with the least Landscape Assessment impact needs re-labelling and expanding to show right down to Hillis corner – **Action Sue to provide details to Carl once he returns from holiday.**
- d) The Wildlife corridor map has disappeared – **Action Sue/Bede to investigate and talk to Richard.**

Action: It was agreed by all present to request that Chris Broughton produces an A4, two sided document which provides the main points of the plan in terms that the general public would understand to help promote the referendum, as there are funds available within the budget for this.

5 Letters received from BAE Systems

Two separate letters were received from BAE Systems raising concerns about the site D which was identified as the forth site with the least impact to the Landscape. These letters explain the importance of having a flat field free of development to provide the testing of radar on their site in that sector. Members present were happy with the wording provided by John to add to the plan.

6 Conference telephone conversation with John Slater (Planning Consultant)

John will construct a draft response to BAE Systems and incorporate the new agreed wording in the plan.

John has been in contact with Chris Broughton who is updating the Consultation Statement which now needs to be agreed by the Steering Group. John will now construct a Basic Conditions Statement for approval, which shows how the plan confirms to the National Planning Policy Framework and the Island Plan.

Chris will incorporate all the agreed changes and produce a final document for the Parish Council to sign off at the November meeting. He will advise the IW Council of this time-line which should provide examination in the New Year with a referendum to co-inside with the May 2017 elections.

On this very positive note,

The meeting ended at 20.40.

