

## THAXTED NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

### MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 22nd NOVEMBER 2018 AT 8.00 PM AT THE CIC

Present: Terry Frostick, David Morgan, Petrina Mawer, Tom Wilson, Suzanne Campagnoni, Rosie Barry-Jackson, Peter Neale

Apologies for absence:

Andrew Frater Michael Culkin Antoinette Wattebot Richard Haynes

#### 2. Last Meeting Minutes (26 April 2018):

i.) Corrections to minutes – no corrections

ii.) To agree the minutes of the Steering Group meeting of 26th April 2018 as a correct record  
- Agreed

iii.) Matters arising from the minutes and not on the agenda:-

Item 5.ii.)- PN has applied for the final grant; this has been received by the Parish Council and will be used to promote the forthcoming referendum, general printing costs and a final presentation print of the Plan

#### 3. Development of the Plan – summary of actions since April

\*Uttlesford District Council have publicised the Regulation 15 Documents for a period of six weeks

\*An examiner has been appointed and he has issued a report on the draft Plan and the responses received during the UDC consultation period.

\* With the assistance of Rachel Hogger and the UDC planners we have amended the draft Plan to include the examiners comments.

\*The amended wording of one of the policies was discussed and it was agreed to accept it and therefore avoid a potential delay of the UDC cabinet meeting and the forthcoming referendum.

\*The examiner's report on the draft plan is to be considered by a UDC cabinet meeting on the 29th November; if they accept it, it will proceed to a referendum.

(Post meeting note: At the meeting on the 29th, the UDC Cabinet unanimously agreed that the Plan could proceed to referendum.)

#### 4. The Referendum

PN advised that the UDC will organise and manage the Referendum. It will be held on the 24th January and the polling station will be the Bolford Street Hall.

The PC/SG will need to promote the referendum to attempt to maximise the number of residents voting ( a YES vote must not be promoted by the PC or SG)

Suggested the Promotion will include:-

- \* Notices and posters TW to look at design

- \*Issue of newsletters - PC just before or just after Xmas

SG early January

HOT mid-January

Residents with queries on the Plan to request clarification by emails or notes delivered to the CIC.

Copies of Plan to be made available for inspection at the CIC

TF to discuss the issue of parents objecting to the inclusion of the coachpark in the plan with Victoria Knight. We need to ensure they understand that the Plan's intention is to use the coach park to facilitate access to the Claypits site not to build housing on it.

## 5. NPSG Actions/Responses

### i). Planning Applications

Land east of Dunmow Road: Inspector's report on the applicants appeal awaited.

Little Maypole scheme: SG will support the new proposals for the 12X2bedroom dwellings subject to the developer amending the specification to that agreed at the meeting with the PC.

Claypits Farmhouse: Highways issues to be resolved between PC and ECC

Sampford Road: Planning Officer's report awaited.

Monk Street; The SG will object to the application for the new 4 dwelling scheme.

## 6. Any Other Business:

i.) TM expressed her concern at the threatened closure of Thaxted library and suggested that the Libraries and museums Act should be reviewed and investigation made into how the reversal of library closures in the Wirral happened. TF noted that the Parish Council would be strongly fighting the closure and also advised that Simon Walsh, our County Councillor was on board.

ii.) PN reported that in the Regulation 19 Draft of the Local Plan the "Land East of the Mead Site" (School Site) has been reclassified from Residential to Educational/Community use.

iii.) TW to ensure the ECC Flood Report is on the NP website

## 7. Date of Next Meeting

Date for next meeting to be agreed