

## NEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee of Newick Parish Council held at Newick Sports Pavilion, on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.04 pm.

**Present:** Councillors: C. Armitage, B. Horsfall, J. Smerdon, C. Wickens and K. Wrench.

Non Councillor: Mr J Lucas

**In attendance:** Mrs S. Berry (Clerk)  
Two members of the public (for part of the meeting)

An audio recording was made of the meeting.

1. **Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman for this committee** – It was agreed that Mr John Lucas should be elected as Chairman of the committee and that Cllr. Chris Armitage should be elected as Vice Chairman.
2. **Apologies for Absence.** Apologies had been received from Cllr M. Thew
3. **Disclosure by Members of personal interest in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct** - There were no disclosures.
4. **Questions or Statements by Member of the Public** – There were no questions or statements by members of the public.
5. **Parish Council owned land between Vernons Road and The Rough** – It was noted that the S.106 agreement in respect of planning consent for this land had been signed and returned to the Parish Council's solicitor immediately after the Parish Council meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> May 2018. The Clerk confirmed that the previously agreed response to a letter from residents living near to the site had been printed and hand delivered.
6. **Newick Neighbourhood Plan Policies and Community Actions – EN5, EN6, H01.8, TC2, TC3, TC4 & CF3** - There was nothing to report.
7. **Reports on items being monitored by the committee (where available)**
  - 7.1 National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) - There was nothing further to report, however, it was noted that various large organisations such as Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) had indicated that they did not consider some of the government's proposals to be workable in rural areas.
  - 7.2 DLA Legal Challenges – It was noted that the legal action against DLA taken by Baroness and Mr Cumberlege had succeeded on both grounds. Members of the committee expressed their gratitude to the Cumberleges for what they had done on behalf of the village.
  - 7.3 Emerging planning applications in line with Neighbourhood Plan – It was noted that LW/17/0905 (Land rear of 45 Allington Road) had been withdrawn. Comments made by the ESCC County Landscape Architect in connection with this application were also noted. It was noted that LW/18/0351 (Woods Fruit Farm, Goldbridge Road) was still under consideration and that a request had been made for the Parish Council to be informed of the date of the Lewes District Council Planning Committee when this application would be dealt with.
  - 7.4 Emerging planning applications in neighbouring areas – It was noted that there had been a number of applications for development in Peacehaven and that extensive building was taking place to the south of Uckfield.
  - 7.5 Progress on Lewes District Council Joint Core Strategy – There was nothing to report.

*One member of the public left the meeting at 7.35 p.m.*

8. **Correspondence from Lewes DC re five year housing land supply** – An email dated 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018 which included a copy of the Lewes District five year housing land supply position as at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 had been circulated prior to the meeting and was noted. It was agreed that a meeting should be requested with the LDC Director of Regeneration and Planning to discuss the Parish Council's concern about the likely impact of the revised NPPF, to query what LDC is doing to strengthen its Core Strategy policies for protection of the countryside, and to clarify the status of Newick's Neighbourhood Plan given the current lack of a five year housing land supply. **Action Clerk**
  
9. **To note any CIL bidding application forms received** – It was reported that five applications for CIL funding had been received from local organisations wishing to progress projects and that these would be forwarded to members of the CIL Working group. **Action Clerk**  
It was recommended that the Parish Council should consider putting forward proposals for its own projects, including High Street parking and a new skate ramp facility.

*One member of the public left the meeting at 7.58 p.m.*

10. **Planning Resource articles** – An article published on the Planning Resource website on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 regarding the Cumberlege/DLA planning appeal (see 7.2 above) was noted. The Clerk was asked to circulate this to members of the Parish Council for information. **Action Clerk**
  
11. **Items for the next Agenda** - Standard agenda. It was noted that the Clerk would not be available to attend this meeting and the committee agreed that it would produce its own minutes.

**The meeting closed at 8.40pm**

**Signed:** ..... **Dated:** .....

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