

NEWICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Implementation Committee of Newick Parish Council held at the Sports Pavilion, King George V Playing Field, Allington Road on Tuesday, 11th October 2016 at 6.45 p.m.

Present: Councillors: R. Allum (for part of the meeting), C. Armitage,
B. Horsfall, M. Thew and C. Wickens
Mr. J. Lucas

In Attendance: Mrs. S. Berry (Clerk)
One member of the public

An audio recording was made of the meeting

1. **Apologies for Absence** – Apologies had been received from Cllr. C. Jago
2. **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.
3. **Questions or Statements by Members of the Public** – There were no questions or statements from members of the public.
4. **Lewes District Joint Core Strategy** – There was nothing to report. It was agreed that Lewes District Council should be asked about the progress of the Local Plan Part 2. **Action Cllr. Armitage**
5. **Update on Newick Hill Development** – There was nothing to report
6. **SANG**
 - 6.1 Statement made by District Councillor at PC meeting 27th September – It was noted that following the statement made by District Councillor, Jim Sheppard, at the Parish Council meeting on 27th September 2016, contact had been made with Lewes District Council (LDC) to clarify the position regarding the SANG site. It had been confirmed that if LDC took ownership of the site, this would be for the purpose of safeguarding it in perpetuity as a Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG).
 - 6.2 Update from Lewes District Council – It was reported that Cllrs. Thew and Wickens had made telephone contact with Tondra Thom, Lewes District Council Strategic Policy Officer, and a copy of the notes made had been circulated prior to the meeting. There had been discussion about the future ownership and management of the SANG site and it was noted that LDC was going through the process of agreeing to accept ownership of the site and was working on the management plan. LDC was also in the process of negotiating the S.106 agreement with Thakeham Homes. It was noted that Newick Rootz had volunteered to assist with the preparation of the management plan and future management of the site if it was thought that the group could be of assistance.

Cllr. Allum joined the meeting at 6.55 p.m.

It was understood that LDC would not take on the ownership of the site from Thakeham Homes until approximately 2019 and that, at that time, there would be funding in place to cover the future management of the site for 40 to 50 years.

It was noted that the zone of mitigation for the SANG had not yet been set.

It was suggested that the Parish Council might wish to consider making an application for the Parish boundary to be amended to take the SANG site and possibly more of North Chailey in to Newick Parish.

It was noted that a new Neighbourhood Plan would need to be prepared in good time to follow on from the current Neighbourhood Plan when it expires in 2030. It was agreed that this issue should form part of a list of items to be considered by the Council on a regular basis. The future ownership of the SANG site and the potential moving of the Parish Boundary should also be on the same list. **Action Clerk**

Cllr. Armitage reported that he had received some more suggestions for the name of the SANG site and that the most popular suggestion was for the site to be named 'Reedens Meadows'. It was agreed to recommend that the Parish Council should put this forward as the name to be adopted.

- 7. Items for the next agenda** – It was agreed that agenda items 4, 5 and 6 should be repeated as regular items on future agendas.

The Meeting Closed at 7.27 p.m.

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

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