

UPPINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Neighbourhood Planning Advisory Group – 19 September 2019 (Meeting commenced at 7:30pm)

- NP24/19** 1. **Chairman’s opening remarks:**
Jane Lang welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited all to introduce themselves to the new Town Clerk. The Town Clerk introduced herself. Jane Lang advised of a request to join the group from Cllr Miranda Jones representing Uppingham in Bloom and it was agreed to invite Miranda to speak regarding the Environment at the November meeting. Jane Lang also advised of a resignation from Phil Wignell and thanked him for his contribution to the Advisory Group.
- NP25/19** 2. **Attendance Register**
Present:
Jane Lang (Chair), David Casewell, Richard Reeve, Ron Simpson, David Ainslie, Christine Edwards, Mark Shaw, Pat Taylor, Janet Thompson, Sharon Aumais, Chris Merricks, Kath Gilbert, Howard Thompson, Margaret Simpson, Edward Baines. Also Clerk Debbie Bettles and Lucy Stephenson, Councillor RCC.

Apologies for Absence: Tony Streeter, Janet Thompson, Peter Rees, Stephen Taylor, Cornelius Vincent-Enright.
- NP26/19** 3. **Declaration of Members’ Interests and Requests for Dispensation:**
Edward Baines declared an interest in Transport working group report, item 10 – pavements.
- NP27/19** 4. **To confirm previous minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Group:**
Resolution: Proposed by Dave Casewell, seconded by Mark Shaw and agreed (11 in favour, 3 abstentions) that the previous minutes be confirmed.
- NP28/19** 5. **Exchange of Views re RCC Transport Strategy:**
Lucy Stephenson provided an overview of current RCC Transport Strategy and how it affects and impacts on Uppingham, inviting an exchange of views and options going forward to increase provision of rural transport in Uppingham. Discussions focused on how to meet the needs of the Uppingham demographic, priorities and scoring of existing public transport options.
- NP29/19** 6. **Review Work Plan and Neighbourhood Plan Road Map:**
Resolution: Jane Lang (Chair) and Chris Merricks (Vice Chair) will roll in with the structure of the working groups and consider potential costs of updating evidence to support the Neighbourhood Plan.
- NP30/19** 7. **Reports back from Working Groups.**
A summary of reports back was provided from the transport, housing and local economy working groups, inviting discussion from all members of the Advisory Group. Requests to join a working group were invited by the Chair.

Dave Casewell invited formal representation from Vanguard group, to be raised as an Agenda item for the next meeting.

David Ainslie proposed consulting with housing developers to present their plans to the Advisory Group.

Resolution:
Proposed by David Ainslie, seconded by Mark Shaw and unanimously agreed to refer matter of housing to UTC Full Council, in order to support the right of the Neighbourhood Plan to

allocate sites and decide type and layout of housing at these sites, and for UTC to set aside funding to support mechanism for judicial review if required.

Resolution:

It was unanimously agreed to defer a summary discussion of the Community facilities, services and open spaces report to the next meeting of the Advisory Group. It was agreed to invite Cllr Lucy Lewin to present to the October meeting about Open Spaces, as per the 'Vision for Uppingham' document sent out to all Councillors.

Resolution:

It was agreed to invite Anna Roberts of Langtons to the October meeting.

NP31/19 8. Consider Evidence from OPUN report Nov 2018

Resolution:

It was unanimously agreed to defer this item to the October meeting.

NP32/19 9 AOB:

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Meeting closed at 9.38pm