

**Uppingham Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Group.
Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 28th April 2022.**

Present: Chris Merricks, Ron Simpson, Christine Edwards, David Casewell, Dick Reeves, Janet Thompson, Howard Thompson, Andy Streeter, Margaret Simpson, Kath Gilbert, Nick Townsend, Andrew Mankowski

Also In attendance Sharon Coe Town Clerk, and 1 member of the public.

1. **Welcome**
The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and reflected on the good progress that was being made.
2. **Apologies for Absence**
Received from Jim Day, Mark Shaw, Edward Baines, Dave Ainslie.
3. **Declarations of interest.**
These would be declared if an item of interest on the agenda became apparent.
4. **An Opportunity to Ask Clarification/Questions of our Consultant.**
Our Consultant Clive Keeble joined the meeting via Zoom to address questions raised for clarification.
Members asked and received clarification on a number of points
Salient Points
To clarify why we had red, pink and pink hatched land in the plan? A. To manage aspirations. Red is longer term land- reasonable but not ready now. If site assessments are consistent over the plan, it is much more advantageous. Pink and pink hatched could be combined if it was acceptable to the whole community.
How can we hold developers in check? Is there a mechanism we can use.? A. NO the best way is dialogue between us and developers including reasonable negotiation. It was accepted that we did have good dialogue and goodwill.
Have we agreed vision and objectives? A. Need to look through the original plan and review, it is vitally important to have a continuation of the original.
Do we need a section on implementation and monitoring? A. Yes, very important. Clive to produce a draft that the Clerk and Town Council can monitor. This indicates priorities we can flag, CIL and see where other funding may exist.
What are the concept of timings expected? Clive advised that we should concentrate on getting the plan out to consultation. Reg 14 will take 6 weeks, then it would come back to NPAG and Town Council before being formally sent to RCC for consideration.
5. **To receive the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 29th March 2022**
A couple of minor amendments were raised, Members were happy to receive with amendments. It was proposed by Dave Casewell, seconded by Dick Reeves, and **resolved unanimously.**
6. **To continue the review of the draft policies for the new Neighbourhood Plan.**

Ron Simpson overviewed three possible additions to the Neighbourhood Plan Policy for members and the consultant to consider adding the following with an appropriately worded policy to satisfy the requirements of the emerging plan.

A High Street Development Policy
Welland Vale Business Zone (an additional business Zone)
The Uppingham Crematorium. (potential)

Pages 31 -33 of the draft policies are to be considered at the next meeting due to time constraints.

7. **Summary of next steps**

The continuation of the review of the policies mentioned above. Ron and the Clerk to liaise with Clive to answer some points of clarification that he required, and draft appropriate answers.

8. **Date of next meeting**

Thursday 12th May at 5.30pm

The meeting closed at 6.55 pm