

Minutes of Totnes Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Wednesday, 15th February, Totnes Guildhall, 7pm – 8.30pm

Present – , Mary Coughlan-Clarke, Robert Vint, Jacqi Hodgson, Peter Rees,

Apologises- Chris Balch, John Birch, Mary Popham, Carol Whitty, Tony Whitty

Chair - Paul Bennett ,

Task/Issues	Detail
<p>Minutes of last meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved • Matters arising: Community Letting Plan and it's place in a Neighbourhood Plan was raised again. It was noted that the Examiner of the Swanwick Neighbourhood Plan stated that Policy 11: The Allocation of Affordable Housing sets out matters beyond the control of the Policies of the Neighbourhood Plan. Action: It was recommended that it was set out as an aspiration of the Parish Council not a NP policy. • St Ives Policy on home ownership of new houses restricts this to principal residences to exclude second home ownership rather than excluding people from outside the area. • Parkers Barn South Hams had been contacted re considering the purchase of Parkers barn for affordable housing. There had been a recent motion to council which had not been passed. Comment made that DCC want to maximise 106 money • Action contact Cassandra to discuss.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Coughlan-Clarke introduced the co-ordinator report • Action Housing paper to go to Totnes Town Council Planning committee recommending that it form part of the TC response to JLP as well as Steering group response • Budget meeting on Paige Adams • Design guide – Need to include Green wedge in both documents and Landscape assessment • Action: Housing Evidence Paper to Planning Committee
<p>Joint Local Plan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jacqi Hodgson gave feedback on South Hams planning briefing • Information on air quality had been requested. No further assessment had been done • Lack of strategy about this as a consequence • Now 27 NPs in the South Hams area and noted concerns that insufficient support available. • Noted that St Ives had acknowledged the support they had received • The request to Andrew Ardley, Devon County re A385 had a unsatisfactory response in that a deputy might attend and only once.

NP – Next Stage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter Rees updated the meeting regarding the position of the Traffic and Transport strategy. The Policy of the Jacob’s statement for the A385 would stand? • A discussion about the future of driverless cars and the implications for both traffic levels and car parking and possibility of reductions followed. It was acknowledged that this could be balanced by the rise in the local population both in the town and surrounding areas. • Issues of air quality control were raised. There appeared to be no new position from the JLP. • It was agreed that a 20 mph speed limit for the town to mitigate pollution and increase pedestrian safety should be consulted on in the NP. • The policy for Town Squares was important for both Heritage and Public realm as well as Traffic and Transport. • The nature of informal consultation on the 1st Draft was discussed. The results of this would influence the Pre-submission Publication Draft which would then be consulted on for six weeks. The use of NP Vision & Objectives - KEVICC vision- energy descent Visios • Action Peter to provide information on Quiet Streets to Paul • Action to note 20mph and Town Squares as policy areas • Action Consultation plan to be produced for next meeting
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no AOB

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Date of next meeting	March 15th 2017, 7pm, Guildhall