

**WESTON AND BASFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN  
STEERING GROUP  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
HELD 14TH FEBRUARY 2017**

**PRESENT** Councillor J Cornell (Chairman)  
Councillors J Chambers, T Gill and P Grant  
Mr D Fanstone

**APOLOGIES** Councillor J Densem

**IN ATTENDANCE** Mr A Thomson

**MINUTES**

**AGREED** That the minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017 be approved as a correct record.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REGULATION 14 CONSULTATION**

Mr A Thomson reported that the Housing White Paper would add weight to Neighbourhood Plans. The main modifications to the Local Plan had been published and comments were due by 20<sup>th</sup> March. The modifications did not impact upon Weston and Basford.

A meeting had been held with Mr T Evans to discuss amendments to the Neighbourhood Plan which would accommodate the comments received under Regulation 14. Nothing had been raised which was insuperable.

Cheshire East had now commissioned a draft SEA screening assessment on the Neighbourhood Plan – this would take 6 weeks which will take us up to the end of March /early April.

Consideration was given to the inclusion of photos for the Regulation 15 Submission which would reflect the style of the locality.

Site allocations were to include local allocations e.g. Gladman, Snape Lane and Weston Hall which would demonstrate a 3-year supply of housing land in addition to the Strategic Allocations at Basford East and the South Cheshire Growth Village – in compliance with the current White Paper.

Care was needed in drawing settlement boundaries to avoid designating large gardens or paddocks as potential housing land. **It was agreed that only Weston be illustrated with a settlement boundary.**

Members considered detailed amendments to policies which would reflect comments received and ensure that the Plan would not conflict with the Local Plan.

Policy GG1 (Green Gap) would be modified to comply with the Local Plan. The detailed Green Gap boundaries within the Neighbourhood Plan Area would be worked through with Cheshire East as part of their deliberation relative to Part 2 of the Local Plan. The same would apply to the definition of settlement boundaries within the Neighbourhood Plan Area.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Andrew to prepare a draft amended text which would need to have photos and maps incorporated.

Up to date map bases of Neighbourhood Plan Area required from T Evans

Photos to be taken.

The target for Regulation 15 Submission to be at or around Easter. This timing would allow added weight to be given to the Neighbourhood Plan in the Haddon Appeal decision.

**AGREED:** That the next meeting be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 2.30pm.