

ABERFORD & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 3rd November 2016 at the Oriel Room,
St Ricarius Parish Church, Aberford at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr David Howson (Chairman) Cllr Daniel Overend
 Cllr Keith Dunwell Cllr Marolyn Piper
 Cllr Paul Hancock Cllr Ruth Reed
 Cllr Mike Oakes

In attendance: Mrs Natalie Goonesinghe (Clerk/RFO) and seven members of the public.

16.221 To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Hogg.

16.222 To receive any disclosures of interest from Cllrs on matters to be considered at the meeting.

None.

16.223 Site Allocations Plan – Presentation of Draft Response (Mike Dando, Planning Consultant)

- a. The draft response to the SAP with regards to the site at Parlington had been circulated to Cllrs prior to the meeting. Mr Dando ran through the main points addressed in the draft response and lengthy discussions took place, including some points that were raised by members of the public. These discussions resulted in the following amendments/additions to the response being **AGREED** by all Cllrs:
- To elaborate on the issues that will be caused in terms of traffic and parking at Garforth train station should the site be built upon. There are already issues with both at the current level of rail passengers; the Cllrs are therefore very concerned about how the station and surrounding area will cope with hundreds/thousands more commuters on a daily basis, and would like this to be commented on more fully in the final response, as discussed this evening.
 - Some other sites have been referred to by name in the draft response – all Cllrs agreed no other site should be referred to by name in the final response.
 - To include a point of recognition with regards to LCC misplacing the Village Design Statement for approximately one year, which a lot of work had been put into.
 - To submit a separate response form from the PC under section 2.1.b of the response form, “Another part of the Plan”, addressing the issues surrounding green belt land being used should the site be approved. The title of the document will be “Green Belt Review Background Paper” and it will be written using the comments on green belt included in the SAP draft response, as discussed this evening.
 - Cllr Oakes gave an update on the number of responses to the questionnaire that have been received. Of the 354 responses, 6 were FOR the site at Parlington and 348 were AGAINST (over 98%). It was agreed these figures should be included in the response.
- b. It was **AGREED** by all Cllrs that the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman, will review and approve the final response in time for it to be submitted to LCC Site Allocations Plan (the deadline being 5pm on Monday 7th November 2016).
- c. Point c. on the agenda read: “To agree that the draft response is ready for submission to LCC Site Allocations Plan, if Cllrs are satisfied no changes to it are required.” This point is not applicable as some changes are required, as listed above in point a.
- d. It was **AGREED** by all Cllrs that the response to the SAP will be submitted by the Clerk on behalf of Aberford & District Parish Council, in the form of an email to the SAP containing two response forms and one detailed report. **ACTION:** The Clerk will submit the response before the deadline of 5pm on Monday 7th November 2016.
- e. Close of meeting - The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.55pm.