

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF KING'S LYNN & WEST NORFOLK

LOCAL PLAN TASK GROUP

Minutes from the Meeting of the Local Plan Task Group held on Wednesday, 5th August, 2020 at 11.00 am in the Remote Meeting on Zoom and available for the public to view on WestNorfolkBC on You Tube - Zoom and You Tube

PRESENT:

Councillors R Blunt (Chair), F Bone, A Bubb, C J Crofts, M de Whalley, C Joyce, J Moriarty, T Parish (Vice-Chair), S Sandell and D Tyler

Officers:

Katie Evans, Assistant Planner
Alex Fradley, Principal Planner
Alan Gomm, Planning Policy Manager
Peter Jermay, Principal Planner (Policy) and Water Management Officer

1 **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The Chair advised the Task Group that the meeting was being broadcast live on You Tube.

A recording of the meeting could be viewed on WestNorfolkBC on You Tube.

2 **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies for absence.

3 **NOTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The notes of the meeting held on 1 July 2020 were agreed as a correct record.

4 **MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

5 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

6 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business.

7 **MEMBERS PRESENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 34**

Councillors A Kemp and C Morley were present under Standing Order 34.

8 **CHAIR'S CORRESPONDENCE (IF ANY)**

There was no Chair's correspondence.

9 **LOCAL PLAN REVIEW DRAFT**

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Councillors A Kemp and C Morley were present under Standing Order 34 and asked questions/made comments.

The Planning Policy Manager provided an overview of the process undertaken to draft the document.

The officers highlighted the changes to the policies set out below and responded to questions and comments.

The Task Group considered the following policies:

LP01 Spatial Strategy

RESOLVED: The Task Group agreed the above policy.

LP02 Settlement Hierarchy

RESOLVED: The Task Group agreed the above policy, subject to Ashwicken being re-categorised as a small village and hamlet.

LP03 Presumption in favour of Sustainable Development

RESOLVED: The Task Group agreed the above policy. Requested officers to email all Members to ask whether they were happy with the development boundaries or something similar.

LP04 Development Boundaries

RESOLVED: The Task Group agreed the above policy.

LP05 Implementation Policy

RESOLVED: The Task Group agreed the above policy, subject to reference being added to the Community infrastructure Levy document.

LP06 Climate Change Policy

RESOLVED: The Policy be amended to reflect the comments made by Councillors Bone and de Whalley. The amended policy be presented to the Task Group at its next meeting.

Councillor de Whalley was asked to circulate the changes he was suggesting to the text at 4.6.2 and 4.6.3 and the policy – use of ‘where appropriate’ in 3, 7 and 8. Could ‘large developments to support active travel’ and ‘maximising use of public transport’ be included in LP06 1? Council number 5 of the ‘key questions’ be strengthened?

LP07 The Economy Policy

RESOLVED: The Task Group agreed the above policy, subject to an amendment to supporting text 5.1.6 on page 61 and to the policy made by Councillor Moriarty.

LP13 Transportation Policy

RESOLVED: The Task Group agreed the above policy.

LP14 Parking provision in new development

RESOLVED: The policy was agreed subject to officers making a minor amendment relating to vehicle charging points there by ensuring that the policy was consistent with the NPPF and in particular paragraphs 105 and 110, on this subject.

Link to NPPF:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework--2>

The Chair explained that the remainder of the policies listed in the Agenda would be considered at a meeting to be convened within 2 weeks.

Members requested that Officers emailed a link to the settlement section of the proposed Local Plan review to all Members of the Borough Council asking if they had any suggested amendments to the development boundaries of settlements in their Ward. **Any suggestions would need to be highlighted and reasoned to enable the Task Group to fully appreciate the suggested change.** It should also be noted that areas with adopted or emerging Neighbourhood

Plans this would left to these plans to consider. The period for comment should be two weeks and then these can be discussed as part of the settlement sections at Local Plan Task Group Meetings in the near future.

10 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Local Plan Task Group will be held on 14 August 2020 at 9.00 am via Zoom.

The meeting closed at 1.54 pm