

Marks Tey Neighbourhood Plan (NP) minutes 29.07.2020

Meeting was via Zoom hosted by Rachel

Attending were; Allan, Gail, Karen, Sue, John, Richard; and Gerald joined the group at 19.30

Apologies: Ian

Allan confirmed that he yet to receive any feedback or updates from Colchester Borough Council (CBC) on the housing numbers. **Allan** suggested that either **John** or **Gerald** on behalf of the Parish Council email CBC requesting an update.

Rachel will continue looking into the inspector's report re capacity for large number of new homes. Have we any evidence to back up 'no development' until the roads are agreed and finalised?

There was no formal agenda, the group continued to review the comments/objections from the individuals, groups and organisations submitted following the initial consultation of the draft NP, and **Rachel's** ongoing work in replying to these comments/objections.

Rachel advised that she will welcome any comments via email from steering group members on the work she is doing. **Rachel** asked for agreement on decisions. We agreed that all emails with personal views will be copied to all the steering group members to allow for discussion, disagreement and for **John** to organise them in the order the policies were discussed, and send to **Rachel**.

Following the discussion last week:

MT04

Rachel has inserted all the supporting text. At present we do not know what CBC will allow. The group are in agreement with the changes to text.

MT15

The changes to this policy were agreed.

NP steering group to decide which map they wish to use for the Anderson employment site, 3.1 or 3.2, and to draw on this plan in pen, the extent of the former Bypass Nursery site that needs safeguarding, photograph the agreed drawing on the agreed site and send to **Rachel via John**.

Discussion about whether there is a need to contact the landowner to offer a conversation about proposed NP in relation to their land – further views to be taken on this.

Group continued new discussion from pg. 24 draft NP comments and objections.

MT01

Feering Parish Council (S3) – Cycle lane from Marks Tey to Kelvedon – agree to add to policy

Gladman (S5) – Group to agree wording around increased traffic to the detriment of the residential environment. **John** to request CBC for any evidence of A12 capacity.

Consider whether NP group may need a Highways consultant to help us?

Highways England (S6) group to think about Parish Council and NP meeting with Highways England to discuss green bridge etc. once NP know what is wanted

Carter Jonas A&B (S13a&b) – **Rachel** will add to the argument that increased traffic does adversely affect the residential community – no further changes are needed. **John** to send the reply from Highways to the group for further discussion.

MT02

We can accept maintain all existing cycle ways – **Rachel** to change this.

City and County (S16) Garden community is no longer part of the local plan. Further discussion needed by NP.

MT03

CBC - agreed changes in wording

MT04

Anglian Water (S2) – no objection to comment

Strutt and Parker (S9) – no need to respond to comment

S16 –it is not clear what land is being considered. **John** to request that **Gemma** ask for clarification and detail about what area of land the comments relate to.

MT05

S1- Leave character assessment detail in.

S16 –Roman River has been missed out of draft NP by accident. To include in the next stage.

Essex County Council (S19) - comment noted and put in the supporting text. NP group should look at the Essex Design Guide and discuss later.

S19- NP group will look at Green Infrastructure policy to see if which policy/approach we wish to use. NP group agreed with **Rachel's** comments.

Rachel confirmed that she will make all updates/changes to the objections so that we can all comment and agree at the next meeting.

Meeting ended at 21.00

Last meeting to discuss the objections/comments starting on pg. 49 of draft NP is Wednesday 5th August at 19.00 via Zoom hosted by **Ian**.

Apologies for next week from **Richard**.

Gail Gibbs