GURNARD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Report on the 40th meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, held in the Garden Room, All Saints Church on Thursday 18 February 2016 at 19:00

Present

Councillor: Nolan

Messrs, Bede Townsend (Chair), Carl Blenkinsop and Jon Pearson.

Apologies

There were apologies received from Richard Cobden and Councillor Fuller. As the input from the Steering Group is near completion, Councilor Fuller has advised that he needs to step down due to his increased commitments with the Isle of Wight Council. Councillor Fuller was thanked (in his absence) for all his hard work and expertise on the project since inception.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2016 were circulated, and members advised that version 6.2 of the draft plan had been circulated to the Parish Council on Thursday 11 February 2016, asking for comments – none had been received.

Questions for the on-line consultation

Members discussed that most of the contents of the draft plan had already been consulted on, leaving the plan policies being the main focus. It was decided to provide a PDF version of the plan which highlighted the policies and asking only if residents agree or disagree with them. Any negative answers would allow space for residents to make a comment providing they gave contact details including postcode and house number.

ACTION:

- 1) The clerk to contact the consultant and ensure that this is a suitable approach.
- 2) Once agreed, ask Richard to construct the questionnaire for the website.
- 3) The group to agree the questionnaire by email before it goes live.
- 4) The clerk will print 15 hard copies which will be available from the homes of Bede, Carl, Jon, Richard and Terry. Any additional copies required will be printed by the clerk.

Marketing

The press release and posters were discussed.

ACTION:

- 1) Bede will draft a press release for the IW County Press which will be circulated to members by email for agreement.
- 2) Richard will produce a poster which the clerk will upload to the Parish Council website and distribute hard copies to the business's in Gurnard plus the Parish Council notice board.
- 3) Dependent on the timescale, an article will also be written for the Gurnard News.

Comments on version 6.2 of the Plan

Members were pleased with the final document, but a couple of small changes are still required. ACTION:

- 1) Carl will re-write section 1.1 and send direct to the consultant, together with a better defined map for page 6.
- 2) The clerk will check the address's for the sites listed by the consultant for the Heritage Gateway as most appear not be in Gurnard. Heritage in not a policy in the plan.
- 3) The clerk will check with the consultant what evidence is required to support the plan.

Meeting closed at 8.10pm.