BRAMPTON ABBOTTS & FOY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

Minutes of meeting Thursday 9th March 2017 at 7.30pm Brampton Abbotts Village Hall.

In attendance:

Chairman - Cllr David Teague; Stuart Fraser; Cllr Robert Lewis; Cllr Isabel Pebody; Cllr John Sherahilo; Cllr George Watts;; Michael Wellock - Kirkwells. Elizabeth Malcolm - Parish Clerk; 1 member of public.

- 1. Apologies for Absence: Graham Marsh
- 2. Declarations of Interest No new declarations.
- 3. Minutes of Meeting held on 9th February 2017 were noted and approved.
- 4. Matters Arising not on the agenda -It was noted that the Census population numbers for Brampton Abbotts supplied for earlier meeting had shown a surprising growth. MW to check if there had been a change in boundary between Census.
- 5. Parish planning applications update No change since last meeting.
- 6. NDP progression

MW proposed that the most important issue is to set the boundaries for Housing either by drawing settlement boundary or call for sites.

Discussion took place on how to set the criteria. MW advised that Hereford Council has issued guidance on this

DT reported on a meeting he had had with the Chairman of Much Marcle NDP to discuss approaches to extending the Settlement Boundary. It was clear that the scale of need was considerably greater in MM than BA&F and that a great deal of work had been necessary to evidence the conclusion that the main village area could not accommodate together with historical records to show Kynaston housing development history.

MW suggested that to set a Settlement Boundary the group should first draw a line round main built environment both current and future (approved plans). Then set criteria for building development, which might fall outside, but must be adjacent to the Boundary.

MW confirmed that the Herefordshire Core Strategy states that NDPs may decide the boundary and therefore the settlements along Gatsford Road and Ross Road could be included.

SF advised the meeting that he had asked the Herefordshire NDP office for an update on the current balance of houses needed to comply with Core Strategy target 19 houses to meet 14% increase. He had been advised only 3 are required - as 16 homes in BA and Foy have now been approved since April 2011.

MW to contact the Planning Department to seek corroboration to these figures.

It was decided to move forward with a Settlement Boundary drawn to include The Grove cluster of dwellings on Ross Road and Gatsford Lane clusters. MW to prepare a draft for review at next meeting.

MW to undertake further work on the draft plan to incorporate updated and agreed schedules:

- the Characteristics of Parish identified by the Group
- Conservation Assets/Community Facilities (excluding the Backney picnic site now confirmed as being outside the Parish
- Employment

and form the basis of final draft for consultation.

Next Meeting: 6th April 2016 at 7 Wellmead, Brampton Abbotts.