



## **ATTLEBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL**

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### **ATTLEBOROUGH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the**

**Attleborough Neighbourhood Plan Committee**

**Held on Tuesday 15 June 2021 at 7pm in the Town Hall**

#### **Present:**

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|               | Cllr E Tyrer – presiding |               |
| Cllr P Leslie | Cllr V Dale              | Cllr T Taylor |
| Cllr J Ellis  | M Ridgway                | E Burrows     |

In attendance - Anne Willett – Clerks Assistant (minute taker)

#### **058.21) Apologies for absence**

Cllr Westby – Unwell

Nicola MacKinnon – Prior commitment

Dist. Cllr Ashby – Prior commitment

#### **059.21) Declarations of Interest**

**a) Declarations of interest received:** - None received

**b) To receive any requests for dispensation of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest -**  
None received.

#### **060.21) Resident's Questions** – None received

#### **061.21) Minutes of the Attleborough Neighbourhood Plan Committee Meeting held on 19 April 2021** –

On the motion of Cllr Dale, seconded by Cllr Leslie, it was,

**RESOLVED** to accept and approve the minutes of the Attleborough Neighbourhood Plan Committee meeting held on 19 April 2021.

#### **062.21) ANP Theme Sub-Committees Updates** –

a) The Local Economy Updates –

- Still looking at additional employment land which is key to taking the town forward and fitting into the A11 Tech Corridor. We are working closely with Attleborough & Snetterton Business Forum that will allow us to facilitate that in a better way.

i) Local Market –

Cllr Taylor had been contacted regarding a potential stall holder but needed to clarify position of the Thursday market and possible Saturday market before responding. It was decided to engage with the businesses on the high street to obtain their views and then report back to the next ANP meeting being held on 19<sup>th</sup> July. Also post on social media asking for suggestions for types of stalls.

**ACTION:TT/VD/PL**

b) Housing –

- We have no lead on this or updates, however we will be picking this up with Breckland and discuss where they are with their local Plan. We have been in conversations with Ptarmigan who are progressing productively, there are the beginnings of consultation on London Road but we have become involved at a late stage. The first phase of consultation for Homes England 1200 houses is looking likely in September. We need to chase up the design guide.

c) Transport & Communication –

- Roadworks in general have finished. The Link Road, Breckland are still in discussion. Car parking - at the next meeting Cllr Tyrer will bring forward a brief for parking strategy which will be linked into car parking trial by Breckland taking place in the Autumn, we will be looking at pricing mechanism as part of strategy.

**ACTION:ET**

d) Education –

- Not much happening apart from Rose Croft and Attleborough Primary Schools have come together as a federation. A meeting had been arranged with Academy in July to receive an update regarding their Masterplan.

e) Health & Social Care –

- Elizabeth Burrows reported survey by UEA is underway and would be meeting some of the team on 18<sup>th</sup> June to physically look around the Town. Worthwhile information coming forward and the CCG are interested in it as well. A bid for funding will be submitted during November. Sam Chapman-Allen had been helpful and a meeting had been arranged with Steve James, housing department next week. A discussion took place about how to obtain a shortfall of £4,000 for the second phase of the research project, possibility of raising from the community or Town Council.

f) Sports & Community Facilities –

- To summarise a list is being compiled of all community groups in and around Attleborough to see what our requirements are and to justify the facilities we ask for. A brief is being finalised to look at scoping out the Indoor Sports Centre, need to make certain this is a project for the long term, not just for the next 5-10 years.
- Old Library site update – still ongoing.

g) Environment, Sustainability and Design Quality –

- To finalise plans to improve access to Decoy Common, a topographical survey needs to be undertaken, quotes had been sourced from Consultants A, B & C On the motion of Cllr Tyrer, seconded by Cllr Leslie, it was **RESOLVED** to accept Consultant A to undertake survey
- Application for S106 money for Decoy Common needed to be submitted ideally this week. As this project more of an improvement consultation may not be required but immediate action would be taken.
- Meeting arranged with Wildlife Trust with the prospect of other groups getting involved with plans for Decoy Common.

**ACTION: ET**

h) Monitoring, Evaluation & Review Environment, Sustainability and Design Quality – More action on this when the new Town Clerk appointed and further discussions with Breckland to take place.

**063.21) 20 Minute Town Concept –**

- The concept is about our neighbourhoods such as Attleborough transforming themselves into being more sustainable, even more cohesive communities. Huge amounts of work having been done nationally to make things happen and for

communities to take ownership. It builds on what we are already doing and brings together the key stakeholders.

- We have met with George Freeman MP who sees the benefits, we have spoken to Breckland who in principal see the benefits. We have discussed with Ptarmigan, for information their phase one for 1200 houses have been sold to Homes England, who are keen on the concept and want to work with the Town Council which gives us influence in what goes into phase one. Norwich Road developers also keen to be involved. It focuses on the delivery of the Neighbourhood Plan in a way that is recognised.
- The Linear Park is far more likely to be delivered how we would like it through the concept because you have people developing the site who are buying into it, the more traditional way would be Breckland determining the planning. The current delivery mechanism is not working, we have to find another way, we have got the vision it does not change what we have to do, it empowers us more saying it is your community, do you want local produce, do you want a better high street. Through this concept we would have access to influential stakeholders and by becoming an exemplar of this is how a community should grow, it opens up different sources of funding by trying something different. It is interesting why this document has been produced now, it is being produced in terms of things not happening in the UK.
- There were further discussions regarding the viability of the new concept and there will be further investigations and discussions but it would not stop the delivery of the ANP, it could accelerate it.

**064.21) Any Other Business –**

No other business

**065.21) Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 7pm

Meeting closed at 8.46pm