

Minutes of the Tilehurst Parish NDP Steering Group Meeting held on 21st June 2023 at the Cornwell Centre

1. Present :

Steering Group Members

Kevin Page, Julia Gentle, Peter Cross, Liz Alexander

Members of the public

Nick Pflaeger + 3 residents with concerns about the planning application for development at Calcot Golf Club.

2. Representations from Members of the public

Mr Pflaeger and his colleagues asked for clarification around the current status of the Neighbourhood Plan and in particular the designation of Local Green Space. They also raised concerns about the planning application for development at Calcot Golf Club.

Members of the steering group clarified the legal status of the Neighbourhood Plan, and explained the roles of the Parish Council and Steering Group in relation to ongoing planning applications. A meeting of the Parish Council has been organised for members to discuss the specific planning application of concern in order to compile the Council's response as a statutory consultee. Residents with opinions on the application were advised to attend that meeting and use their opportunity to speak as members of the public.

3. Apologies: Sandra Vickers, Joan Lawrie, Clive Taylor, Alan Wade

4. Declarations of Interest: None

5. Minutes of Last Meeting: Agreed as a true record following a minor wording change on the title of the Consultation Document.

6. Matters Arising: None

7. Budget and Finance - Peter had nothing to report, ie no new expenditure or income.

8. Draft Plan Status Update

Feedback from Bryan Lyttle at WBC has been received. Bryan's covering email made the point that all his suggestions/comments were "minor". This is reassuring and suggests the Plan is very close to being ready for submission to WBC. We need to complete the work on the Consultation Statement (Kevin) and Basic Conditions Statement (Liz), as well as the previously noted actions on updating the maps (Kevin). Peter and Alan will continue making the edits agreed and at the next meeting we will review progress.

It was agreed to continue using the 1947 map, as this coincided with the start of the current planning regime with the 1948 Town and Country Planning Act. Suitable wording to describe this choice needs to be added to the document.

It was agreed to remove two tiny play areas from the list of Green Spaces- we will note that these were considered but removed as they do not meet the criteria. This will need the maps to be updated again.

9. **Next meeting :**

The next monthly meeting would be at **7.30pm Wednesday 26th July 2023** at the Cornwell Centre (One week later than previously advertised)

10. The meeting closed at 8:40pm