**MINUTES OF A NP REVIEW VILLAGE MEETING HELD AT 6.30/7.00PM ON THURSDAY 24TH JANUARY 2019 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.**

|  |
| --- |
| PRESENT: |
| **NP review members** | S Archer, Cllr Atkins, Cllr Dimond, V Drinkwater, Cllr Ingham, Cllr Longhurst, S Parks, Cllr Rogers, I Stratford. |
| **Cllrs**  | P Acca, C Carter, J Clark (Chairman of PC), P Corcos |
| **Facilitator**  | M Robertson |
| **Clerk**  | L Tyrrell |
| **Public**  | 105 members |
| **Apologies**  | D Tyrrell  |

**7pm** - Cllr Ingham welcomed everyone and explained the running order of the evening:

* Cllr Longhurst and presentation (15mins)
* Cllr Ingham to Chair the initial questions and answers session (30mins)
* Mark Robertson to facilitate the activity and current members of the Review Groups to be at each working display (35mins)
* Summary

**7.10pm** – Cllr Longhurst presented to the public members an update of the previous NP including the successes and areas still to develop. He explained the new process of the review and how the review would succeed.

**7.30pm** – Open session.

The following points were raised by members of the public:

* Address the pedestrians in the Parish.
* The timeframe for the review from its start to completion. Cllr Longhurst suggested six months for the process.
* The parking in the village centre and the fact that the double yellow lines seemed to be ignored. Cllr Longhurst explained a holistic car parking approach was needed and it is was up to the public to record this on the working displays.
* The group members were congratulated on what had been achieved so far and the impressive meeting to involve the entire village.
* The community - more housing developments would lose the villages sense of community. It seemed that EDDC didn’t use our NP when allowing expensive houses to be developed.
* When did the current housing quota ran out? Cllr Ingham responded that on the original plan it was 2026 which was inline with the Local Plan. Now it would be expected to 2031.
* Not to forget about the entire Parish including the land towards Lympstone Common and Goodmores Farm.
* Concerned with the lack of housing for the elderly.
* The Local Plan and GEST (Greater Exeter Strategic Plan) Plan was expected to be updated in 2023 and felt these would override the NP. Cllr Ingham explained that the Local Plan and GEST plan were asking for NPs to cater for them.
* Wouldn’t we still be constrained by EDDC?
* From Exeter to here housing needs are not catered for.
* Can the Green Wedge be enforced? And not just to prevent building but access over and through it. Cllr Longhurst explained there was a fine line between the use of driving over land. If you see something wrong, then it must be reported to the East Devon Cllrs.
* Office space with a creche.

**7.50pm** – Mr Robertson the facilitator explained the purpose of the activity:

1) Ideas for the plan

2) Ideas for the process

He explained that once all the ideas had been collated from the evening a report would be produced and fed back to all members of the public.

**8.40pm** – Mr Robertson summarised.

He summarised the general feeling of the activity was very positive. He asked the audience for any further feedback:

* To keep the personality of the village.
* The future risk of flooding.
* More man made was not necessary and the risk to the natural world.
* To highlight the positives and essence of the village and how to protect it.
* Goodmores Farm development and the transport using Wotton and Summer Lanes.
* The timescale and procedure.
* The focus group and how it was made up. Cllr Ingham explained the working group was made up of a mix of male/female, young/ old, four PCs, 2 EDDC Cllrs and welcomed new members.

Mr Robertson added that the actual timescale was not entirely known but initially suggested:

* Report from tonight’s village meeting
* Feedback to all members of the Parish
* Focused groups set up if desired
* Another Village meeting to again update and show the review so far

Cllr Longhurst explained that depending on the suggestions there would be further working groups/workshops offered to learn more about an area.

RESOLVED:

To add the NP review document to the website.

(To add the housing need survey to the website?)

Meeting closed at **9.00pm**

**In addition -**

Other comments made/notes etc:

1. Parking - a common issue.
2. Pedestrian issue being forgotten - particularly safety for the old and disabled.
3. Review timeframe? - about 6 months. Suggested responses back from public by end of Feb.
4. Housing survey being done. £3.5K and needs to be published to made it legal/credible in the eyes of the Authorities.
5. Parking - what is the long term strategy? - Strategy being developed but need public views to do this. A Parish Council issue. Need a focus group
6. Need to keep our sense of community, it is 'just about still there'. £1.5m houses don’t meet the NP criteria.
7. When does the plan run-out?
8. What facilities will be included at Goodmores Farm - what controls do we have over that? No retirement homes in the Village.
9. Relationship with greater Exeter Plan? - they are full and want outsider towns/villages to take this overflow - therefore we need to pre-empt this with our plan.
10. Homes in Lympstone not serving local needs.
11. How can we use the green wedge / how can the green wedge be used to manage what goes on?
12. Goodmores Farm idea - office space with a creche attached.
13. Ways of involving the community….
14. BREAK FOR TEA
15. On return out of an initial approx 110 people there were about 80-90 remaining.
16. Long term flooding - comment was that the end of century prediction was that sea levels would rise by 1m and we should be mindful of that.
17. ‘Keep it Green’ for future generations …we have a duty.
18. Suggested starting point in considerations - ‘Why do People want to live here?’ Concentrate on these reasons.
19. Timescales from feedback tonight - Take all this info and ideas and report back in the Herald and Website - end of April?
20. Housing survey(?) - How many houses do not have parking?
21. Country is going to electric vehicles - Where are electric cars going to charge up?
22. We have a valuable environment. Developers will come and we need to liaise with them in order to influence their plans. Embrace what we have in the village - there is nothing like it….