# Ringmore Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Minutes of the meeting held on 17 October 2017

#### Present:

Richard Baker (RB) – **Chair**Malcolm Findley (MF)
Jenny Williams (JW) minute taker
Mike Wynne-Powell (MW-P)
John Reynolds (JR)
David Vincent (DV)
Mike Campbell (MC) **Apologies** Rosemary Piercy (minute taker)

- 1. Previous Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.
- 2. **Mike Campbell** was welcomed as a new member of the steering group.
- 3. **Finance: RAB** noted no communication channel open at present to keep up to date with incoming invoices and payments made through the Parish Council. **JR** has created a spreadsheet for this purpose.

<u>Actions</u> RAB has sent copies of all invoices for payment to JR to keep spreadsheet up to date. **DV** has invoice for mileage and stamps he will send to **PJ** with copy to JR.

4. Survey Response: DV apologised for omitting deadline return date on survey circulated in Ringmore Newsletter. Reminder to complete survey in November Newsletter with closing date 5 November 2017. Discussion on poor response rate (only 13 completed plus 1 late one from Challaborough). Concern re lack of interest in general although MC did note that people he had spoken to at the JE did understand the importance of the Neighbourhood Development Plan. MF poor response at this stage was not too bad at this stage because the survey was just a general search for issues to be included in a future questionnaire. All agreed that the poor response at the Apple Pressing Event was because it was the same people that gave their views at the Garden Party in August. RAB stated that we need to find a successful way of approaching certain sections of the Parish Community e.g. those working

**RAB** opened a discussion on how we are going to consolidate the information from the completed *surveys*.

<u>Action</u> **DV** agreed to theme all survey responses from both the Garden Party and Newsletter surveys and meld them with the survey work carried out by **MF** and put them on a spread sheet for next meeting.

5. MWP Report to go here. Conclusion all who attended agreed the course was beneficial.

6. Evidence and Data gathering via computer and SHDC. MC stated that there was a vast amount of information that we could use in terms of statistical data and other relevant evidence that had already been gathered which would inform the NP process. DV stated that we should start allocating specific tasks to Steering Group individuals and that there were a number of links on the memory stick received at the training day. Action DV to download info on memory stick and send to JR and MF

### Allocation for information gathering

#### **MC Demographics**

**JW** Environmental (MC to assist if necessary)

**RAB** Listed buildings (already completed)

JR to contact NT re: info on local Natural England (e.g. wild life surveys)

**DV/RAB** to explore various avenues for Housing Survey information (*RAB* to contact SH Planning for advice on housing survey process)

**RAB** to set up electronic file to collate all information gathered.

Other points in this discussion

- MC raised issue on how we link in with adjacent Parishes to ensure joined up approach were appropriate
- MC use information from Bigbury and Kingston NP
- MC suggested summer & winter traffic census
- MC suggests looking at a few LDPs to see what they are doing

**MWP** tabled paper of SHDC average house price list. Feeling was that these figures were not sufficiently refined to give a true picture of average house price within the Parish.

### 7. Business Consultations?

Discussion raised the following points: -

Businesses identified

Farms anyone who and farms in the parish

B&Bs

Public House

Holiday/Residential establishment at Challaborough including shop

Businesses run from home.

**Action MF** to produce list of topics we may want to explore with businesses

**JR** to consult with NT re number of farms and talk to Jem Deverson to help with identification of landowners and possible themes to be explored.

## 8. Questionnaire assistance?

After some discussion it was agreed that assistance from an outside agency (? Martin Parks) was the best course of action.

Action RAB to contact him re: availability.

#### 9. **AOB**

**Quiet Lanes Initiative** this document will be circulated to non-Parish Council Members of the NPSG for comments. (*by RAB*) It is already on the agenda for the November Parish Council Meeting.

# **NEXT NPSG MEETING TUEDAY 21 NOVEMBER 7PM WI**

Signed:-			
Date:-			