

SWANTON MORLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

A meeting of the Swanton Morley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group was held in Swanton Morley Village Hall on Monday 5th December 2016. The meeting commenced at 7pm.

Present: Mr R. Atterwill (Swanton Morley Parish Council) Chairman
Ms Y. Hendry (Greengate resident) Vice Chairman
Mr G. Curran (Keith Road resident)
Mr L. Brooks (Keith Road resident)
Mr S. Westbury (Parish Councillor)
Mr S. Taylor (Liberator Close resident)
Mr D. Sadler (Town Street resident)
Mr J. Keith (Local Landowner)
Mrs F. LeBon (Clerk to Swanton Morley Parish Council)
There were three members of the public in attendance

Time Allocated to the Public

No matters raised.

1) Welcome

Mr Atterwill welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

2) To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr G. Palmer.

3) To Receive Declarations of Interest

Mr Keith declared a pecuniary interest in land he owned

Mr Westbury declared an interest in views from his property.

4) To Agree Minutes from 23rd November 2016 as a True and Accurate Record of the Meeting.

Mr Brooks proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting, seconded by Mr Curran and carried.

5) To Receive Matters Arising from Minutes 23rd November 2016

None raised

6) To Agree Neighbourhood Plan Document:

a) Executive Summary

Spelling and grammatical mistakes were identified. It was agreed that this sections should be accepted, as amended.

b) Introduction and Background

It was agreed that the consultant should be asked to clarify the second clause in Section 1.4.1a. All other sections were agreed.

c) About Swanton Morley

Mr Taylor raised concerns about the unbalanced appearance of the pictures. It was agreed that Mr Taylor should look to improve the pictures in the future. Grammatical errors were corrected on page 13.

Mr Keith queried whether the 'movers and shakers' of 1916 should have a modern day equivalent for comparison. It was agreed that the modern day 'movers and shakers' would be too controversial to identify and would detract from the plan itself.

It was agreed to remove Mr Brownlow from the list of Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group members due to his non-attendance at meetings.

d) Vision for the Future of Swanton Morley

This was agreed as per the draft document.

e) Sustainable Growth and Development

This was agreed as per the draft document.

f) Neighbourhood Plan Policies: Growth

i) Growth – Policy 1: Protecting the Identity of Swanton Morley

Mr Taylor raised concerns that the map on page 31 was difficult to see. Mr Westbury suggested that it could be made as an A4 map and added as an appendix. It was agreed to leave the map as it was for now.

This was agreed as per the draft document.

ii) Growth – Policy 2: Residential Development Sites

This was agreed as per the draft document.

iii) Growth – Policy 3: Enabling Growth on Sites LP(098)14 and LP(098)016

Concerns were raised over the identification of priority traffic management gates as these are not recommended presently due to their alleged causing of increased pollution levels. Mr Westbury advised that only the traffic management systems permissible at the time of development would be considered.

This was agreed as per the draft document.

iv) Growth – Policy 4: Local Lettings

A spelling mistake was identified under section 6.61. It was also agreed to ask the consultant to clarify whether policy DC4 formed part of Breckland District Council's Core Strategy or affordable housing policy. The consultant is also to check whether section 6.69 relates to Breckland District Council's cascade system or Swanton Morley's proposed system.

v) Growth – Policy 5: Affordable Housing on Exception Sites

This was agreed as per the draft document.

vi) Growth – Policy 6: Delivery of Planning Obligations

Mr Keith raised concerns about the evidence for this policy, and whether it would be inflammatory for the Local Planning Authority. It was agreed that the evidence base was factual and should remain. This was agreed as per the draft document

Subject to the agreed amendments, Mr Taylor proposed that all policies under section F be agreed, seconded by Mr Brooks and carried.

g) Neighbourhood Plan Policies: Landscape and Environment

i) Landscape and Environment - Policy 7: Local Green Spaces

Mr Taylor raised concerns that photographs had been repeated in this section of the document. It was agreed that the photograph on page 49 should be removed and replaced with the picture of Mill Weir. Subject to this amendment, this section was agreed.

ii) Landscape and Environment – Policy 8: Protection of Open Space

This was agreed as per the draft document.

iii) Landscape and Environment – Policy 9: Management of Open Space

This was agreed as per the draft document.

Landscape and Environment - Policy 10: Important Views

It was agreed that the picture of Primrose Hill should be changed for that of one taken by Mr Taylor.

iv) Landscape and Environment – Policy 11: Accessibility and Biodiversity

This was agreed as per the draft document.

Subject to the agreed amendments, Mr Brooks proposed that all policies under section G be agreed, seconded by Mr Curran and carried.

h) Neighbourhood Plan Policies: Design

i) Design – Policy 12: Design of Development

Mr Curran noted that some of the photographs had been duplicated. Mr Taylor has provided alternative pictures, which should be utilised.

A duplicate word was noted in section 3 of the policy which should be removed.

ii) Design – Policy 13: Parking Provision

This was agreed as per the draft document.

iii) Design – Policy 14: Flooding

This was agreed as per the draft document.

iv) Design – Policy 15: Housing Mix

A reference to 'table x' was identified, and that this should reference 'table 4'.

Subject to the agreed amendments, Mr Westbury proposed that all policies under section H be agreed, seconded by Mr Sadler and carried.

I) Neighbourhood Plan Policies: Local Economy

i) Local Economy – Policy 16: Broadband and Mobile Communications

This was agreed as per the draft document.

ii) Local Economy – Policy 17: Employment and Local Shops

This was agreed as per the draft document.

Mr Taylor proposed that all policies under section I be agreed, seconded by Mr Brooks and carried.

J) Neighbourhood Plan Policies: Community Facilities

i) Community Facilities – Policy 18: Additional Community Facilities

It was noted that a glossary entry for S278 had been omitted. The consultant is to be asked to add this. There was confusion over section 6.245 and 6.246 as these were very similar. The consultant is to be asked for clarification.

Subject to the agreed amendments and clarifications, Mr Brooks proposed that all policies under section J be agreed, seconded by Mr Westbury and carried.

K) Neighbourhood Plan Policies: Transport

i) Transport – Policy 19: Traffic Impact

Mr Taylor raised concerns about the pictures showing traffic management gates, as research was beginning to show that these caused increased levels of pollution. Mr Atterwill advised that the traffic management system would be approved by highways at the time and they would have the final decision on what is allowed to be implemented.

Mr Brooks proposed that all policies under section K be agreed, seconded by Mr Taylor and carried.

L) Delivery Implementation and Monitoring

The lack of consistency in abbreviations was noted and will be raised to the consultant. Subject to this, Mr Westbury proposed that all policies under section L be agreed, seconded by Mr Curran and carried.

Mr Keith raised concerns about the plan looking positively on development of brownfield sites. Mr Atterwill advised that this is part of National Planning Policy, therefore cannot be changed.

M) Glossary

Mr Westbury proposed that section M be adopted, as per the draft document. Seconded by Mr Brooks and carried.

N) Document Control

Mr Atterwill reported that the community event will be held on 14th January at Swanton Morley Village Hall.

Mr Curran proposed that section M be adopted, as per the draft document. Seconded by Mr Taylor and carried.

7) To Consider any Further Matters Relating to the Neighbourhood Plan and Finalise Document Council

A separate Parish Council meeting will be held on 19th December to discuss the Neighbourhood Plan. It is hoped to go to examination in April.

Mr Keith queried whether the allotment and Village Hall lands, as detailed in the appendix, should be allowed to be in the plan as areas of open space to be protected, when they do not belong to the Parish Council.

The Clerk cautioned Mr Keith against making comment about areas of land that he owns and stressed that the steering group was permitted to place these areas of land in the plan should they wish to.

8) To Agree Items to be Considered by Swanton Morley Parish Council

The Neighbourhood Plan document and timetable for the public consultation.

9) To Agree Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was agreed to hold a meeting after the community event on 14th January to review comments from the public.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm

_____ (Chairman) _____ Date