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NOTES OF MEETING

Meeting: Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting

Date & Time: Monday 9th June 2024

Place: Council Chamber, The New Town Hall, Commercial Road

PRESENT:

Chair: Cllr David Northam

Steering Group Members: Colin Marsh, Cllr Howard Atkinson, Cllr Jon Orrell (part), Michael Bevan, Penny Quilter, Phil Watts

Project Support: Michele Williams

Special Attendance: N/A

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION	BY WHOM
1.	Welcome and Apologies: David welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. Apologies received from Jane Biscoombe, Lara Wood and Rob Cheeseman.		
2.	Previous Minutes & Matters Arising: Previous notes from 12 th May 2025 were approved. Michele to upload onto website. David updated the group on the Regeneration and Energising Dorset Prospectus, and that it looks like it will go ahead, especially seeing that there is £28 million funding to facilitate this work.	Upload notes on website	Michele
3.	Examiners Questions & Reponses: Discussion around the questions and input from everyone on their thoughts. Michele to collate all the responses and a further discussion to take place with Dorset Council to share responses and take any suggestions from Nick Cardnell into consideration. The Examiner has set a deadline for responses by both WTC and DC of 23 rd June. The final response to the Examiner will be placed on the web site immediately. Discussion on the fact that some new maps might need to be redrawn but unclear on whether AECOM who did most of the maps will be able to do new maps. Unclear if any further funding from Locality will be available – Michele to email them and see if there will be any.	Email Locality	Michele

4.	<p>Forward Schedule:</p> <p>Reminder of the stages;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Late May – The Examiners procedural matters and initial questions are circulated (these are usually addressed to the Town Council and Dorset Council and we usually have 2 weeks to respond). COMPLETED as per 3 above. • Early June – notification of any public hearing sessions (if deemed necessary by the Examiner). • July – If required, hearing sessions. • July – A ‘fact check’ version of the Examiners Report is issued first. We are able to respond to any errors or matters of fact but can’t re-open issues. • A final Examiners report is then issued. 6-8 weeks from submission, if no hearing is required or 9-11 weeks from submission, if a hearing is required. 		
5.	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>None.</p>		
7.	<p>Dates of Future Meetings:</p> <p>Date: Monday 14th July 2025</p> <p>Date: Monday 18th August 2025</p> <p>Date: Monday 15th September 2025</p> <p>Time: 7pm</p> <p>Venue: Council Chamber</p>		

Meeting ended at 8:54pm