#  Sturminster Marshall Neighbourhood Plan

## 7.30pm Tuesday, 9th November 2021

## Sturminster Marshall Memorial Hall

### Steering Group Minutes

Present: Mr J Quick, Cllr S Cade, Cllr Fookes, Mr R Daniels, Cllr M Steel and Mr S Morris

Also present: Mrs A Clothier (Clerk), Ms J Witherden

## 1. Apologies

1.1 Cllr J Jackson and Cllr Palmer gave their apologies, and these were accepted by the committee. The group were informed that Mr Gerry has resigned.

## 2. Declaration of Interests

2.1 No changes.

## 3. Minutes of previous meeting

3.1 The minutes of the previous meeting on 19th October 2021 were circulated prior to the meeting. These were approved.

3.2 Matters arising:

*Action 1: Clerk to speak to National Trust regarding potential of a bridge and ask Dorset Council for bridge costings.* See Agenda item 10 below.

*Action 1: Clerk to arrange meeting with Dorset Council for the week beginning 15th November.* Complete

*Action 2: Clerk to apply for master planning technical package.* Complete.

## 4. Options Consultation

4.1 There were 101 completed questionnaires submitted which represented responses from 132 people. There were 4 submissions from outside of the Parish . Additionally, there were 4 non questionnaire responses received from landowners or their agents.

4.2 The group will complete the analysis of the comments and produce a report to be put on the website in December. There will be an item in the Bridge to thank people for completing the questionnaire.

## 5. SEA Scoping Report

5.1 The Environment Agenda and Heritage England have responded to the Scoping Report and Natural England are due to respond shortly. The report has been sent to Dorset Council on their request. A meeting will be held once on the comments are received to discuss progress. It will take AECOM 3-4 weeks to assess the draft plan and they will test different packages of sites. A working group will need to be established to discuss this.

## 6. Grant Funding

6.1 The grant up to December 2021 will not be spent, therefore Groundworks have agreed to extent this to March 2022.

## 7. Locally Important Buildings

7.1 This is being progressed using Street View. Help is needed to complete the rest of the Parish and the property owners will need to be contacted before the list in published. An article will be put in the Bridge to introduce the idea. Dorset Council are also carrying out a similar exercise for their locally listed buildings.

## 8. Master planning

8.1 AECOM would like an inception meeting in the week beginning 22nd November and it was agreed that Mr Quick, Cllr Cade, Ms Witherden and the Clerk should attend.

## 9. Arrangements for next video meeting with Dorset Council and recent correspondence.

9.1 The letter from Dorset Council was circulated before the meeting. The Group agreed that the Plan needed to advance in a way that works with the Local Plan. The meeting should cover:

* Local Plan Timescales
* Neighbourhood Plan Timescales
* Substantial Changes to the Local Plan
* Local Plan Housing Numbers
* Master Planning

## 10. Correspondence from Stour Valley Park Consultants re. meeting to discuss link to Sturminster Marshall.

10.1 It was agreed that Mr Daniels and the Clerk would meet with Land Storey to discuss the potential of the footbridge over the River Stour.

## 11. Correspondence re. contribution to footbridge in lieu of SANG.

11.1 A letter was received from a landowner to propose the idea of offsetting a SANG requirements by contributing to a bridge over the Stour at Walnut Tree. This was discussed initially but would be looked at further in the master planning stage.

## 12. Correspondence between DAPTC and Dorset Council.

12.1 Dorset Council has responded to a letter from the DAPTC questioning the response to the Local Plan consultation and the support for Neighbourhood Plans. It was noted that the Local Plan consultation responses are now available online.

## 13. Dorset CPRE press release contents.

13.1 The CPRE press release was noted and it was highlighted that they were particularly disappointed with the diluting of the response from Town and Parish Councils. CPRE are preparing an exceptional circumstances case for the housing numbers.

## 14. Advertising for assistance with the Neighbourhood Plan.

14.1 This will be mentioned in the Bridge article with particular emphasis on skills involving design, infrastructure, highways and communication.

## 14. Date of next meeting

 Next Meeting: Tuesday 7th December 2021

 The meeting ended at 9.21pm