

Minutes of 21st meeting of the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group at Hinton Blewett Village Hall on 18th April 2016

Present: Liz Richardson, Chairman (Ward Cllr), Richard Ireland (West Harptree), Lucy Holt & Hilary Collins (Ubley), Nick Scholefield, Felicity James & Nick Hasell (Chew Magna), Paul Waldron (East Harptree), Liz Brimmell (Hinton Blewett), Nick Baker (Chew Stoke) and Tim Warren
The Minutes were taken by Liz Brimmell, CVNP Administrator.

1. Apologies: Apologies were received from Helen Jackson Brown, Axel Palmer, Jane Griffiths and Chris Craig
2. Approval of the minutes of meetings of 21st March 2016: The minutes of 21st March 2016 were approved.
3. An overview from Julie O'Rourke, B&NES Policy Planner on the CV Neighbourhood Plan: Julie O'Rourke advised that parish councils should sign off the Plan at the Annual Meeting of their Parish Council and any amendments after the public consultation would also need to be signed off. Participating parish councils would be able to comment on the subsequent B&NES' consultation. A link would be advised for nominating ACVs.

LGSDs would need considerable justification and Julie O'Rourke would provide examples.

4. Review the Chew Valley Neighbourhood Plan: Julie O'Rourke advised that 3 copies of the Plan would be required by B&NES. A draft of the Draft Plan had been circulated to steering group members and there then followed a discussion with comments being noted. Amendments would be made before the Draft Plan was published for consultation on 2nd May
5. Volunteers required to help compile Tranquillity and Dark Skies statements: Helen Jackson-Brown offered to draft statements on tranquillity and dark skies.
6. CV draft Plan public consultation publicity and venues: It was agreed to hold the consultation events at Woodford Lodge on Monday, 9th May – 6.30 – 8.00 pm, Saturday, 21st May – 10.00am – 12.00 noon and Monday, 6th June – 6.30 – 8.00pm, subject to confirmation by Bristol Water.
7. Review of timescales on the CV Neighbourhood Plan going forward: It was hoped to submit the Pre-Submission Plan to B&NES at the beginning of July. Following approval, B&NES would conduct a 6 week consultation starting later in July which would end in mid-September. Examination would follow and then a 6 weeks lead up to a referendum.
8. Finance and VAT: The CVNP account balance was £992.00. Plans were in hand to apply for further grant funding to cover further professional advice, publicity, printing in the period up to the referendum.
9. Next meeting: The next meeting date - to be agreed

The meeting closed at 9.45pm

