



**MINUTES**

**Meeting:** NEIGHBOURHOOD  
PLAN COMMITTEE

**Date:** 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019

**Time:** 4.00pm

**Venue:** COUNCIL OFFICES, HAINAULT ROAD, CHIGWELL

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**PRESENT: Councillors (3)**

Councillors; Richard Alvin (Chairman), Deborah Barlow and Roger Farthing.

**Officers (1)**

Anthony Belgrave - Clerk to the Council.

**Also in Attendance (1)**

There was one member of the public in attendance.

**18.20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (6)**

Apologies were received from Councillors: Rochelle Hodds, John Knapman, Alan Lion,, Brian Sandler, Barry Scrutton and Darshan Singh Sunger.

**18.21 OTHER ABSENCES (2)**

Councillors: Naveed Akhtar and Kewal Chana.

**18.22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**NOTED** that there were no Declarations of Interest.

**18.23 EPPING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN HEARING SESSIONS  
– PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIONS**

The Chairman reminded Members that in accordance with regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, Epping Forest District Council submitted the Local Plan to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018 for independent examination. An independent inspector has now been appointed to undertake this examination and determine whether the plan has been prepared in accordance with the



relevant statutory requirements of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and the National Planning Policy Framework (March 2012).

This statutory process will be concluded by the submission of a full report from the inspector, on behalf of the district council to recommend whether the EFDC Local Plan should be adopted.

Members were further reminded that as part of this procedure a ‘Provisional Hearing Programme’ has been scheduled, to allow representations to be heard, these sessions will take place over a period of 6 weeks. Further, it has previously been **RESOLVED** that our Planning Consultant will represent the Parish Council at these sessions. The Chairman advised members that the representations fundamentally reiterate position of the Parish Council as detailed in the Neighbourhood Plan. Having previously discussed this matter with the Planning Consultant and Councillor Knapman, it is intended to strengthen the Parish Council’s arguments pertaining to the ‘Convent’ site and highlight the apparent discrepancies relating to site selection within the Local Plan and EFDC planning policy. Also, further clarifications will be included concerning the Parish Council’s position on future development on the Limes Farm Estate and the unacceptable inadequacies and ambiguity of the proposed ‘Master-plan.’

After further **CONSIDERATION** of the representations drafted by the Planning Consultant, further discussions took place, it was moved by the Chairman and **RESOLVED** that:

- This information be **NOTED**.
- The draft representations following the suggested minor adjustments, be **APPROVED**.

**18.24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Clerk reminded members that the next meeting of this committee is scheduled for Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019, 6pm.

After discussions, it was moved by the Chairman and **RESOLVED** that:

- The next meeting of this committee would be scheduled at a date and time to be determined.

Signed .....  
**Chairman**

Date .....