



**MINUTES OF THE HARDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROJECT TEAM
HELD ON 14th OCTOBER, 2019 IN HARDEN MEMORIAL HALL**

Present: Cllr Kay Kirkham (Chair)
Cllr Ann Taylor
Cllr Jools Townsend
Steve Johnson
Jamie Wilde (IntegreatPlus)
Ken Eastwood (Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Gerwyn Bryan.

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

3. Update

Updates were provided on the following matters: -

- Housing Needs Assessment
- Design Code
- Transport assessment commission

The Clerk will progress funding applications for the Housing Needs Assessment and Design Code works. He commented that the application process appeared to have changed and that the Locality website was far from clear on how the process now worked. It was noted that if the grant has to be spent within the financial year it is awarded that it may be preferable to apply in 2020/21.

The Village Council is meeting with three shortlisted transport consultants and hopes to commission the traffic and transport assessment in November.

4. Summary of engagement

Jamie Wilde gave a presented feedback following the engagement event held on 28th September. Those present discussed various points and recommendations. Feedback and recommendations are summarized in a document appended to these minutes.

It was noted that the Village Council has recently declared a climate emergency and it would be good to see climate terminology used in the plan to include reference to the 'emergency'.

There was discussion about the plan including a policy on protecting key views and it was suggested that tree planting commitments could be enhanced in the green infrastructure policy.

Actions

- All Members to consider which views would benefit from protection and feedback to Jamie. To be an agenda item next time.
- Jamie to make amends and circulate revised draft plan policies inviting comments leading to discussion at next meeting.
- Footpaths to be considered at next meeting using the map available in the room.

5. Next steps

Jamie Wilde had obtained information from Haworth on heritage assets. Cllr Kirkham also provided information from Wilsden and elsewhere.

Cllr Kirkham suggested owners of non-designated heritage assets might need to be approached to discuss and explain purpose of listing within the NDP.

Actions

- Jamie Wilde to do some research around implications of listing assets within the NDP for home-owners and any restraints.
- Cllr Kirkham to update the heritage assets list and circulate.
- Jamie Wilde to progress the initial work undertaken by Steve Johnson and Cllr Kirkham on local green spaces.
- Jamie Wilde to meet with Bradford Council and report back.
- Parish Projects to be referred back to the Village Council.

6. Any other business

Paper copies of the engagement feedback forms were passed to Cllr Kirkham.

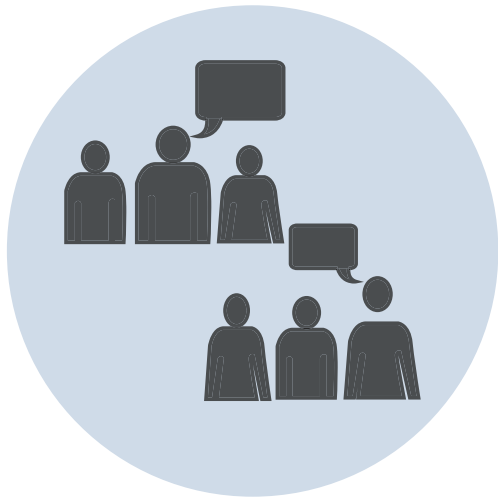
7. Date of next meeting

To be advised. Mid December or early January.

HARDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

SUMMARY OF CONSULTATION HELD SEPTEMBER 2019

TO DATE THERE HAS BEEN 158 REPRESENTATIONS



INITIAL ENGAGEMENT

114 REPRESENTATIONS

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1ST DRAFT DROP-IN

44 REPRESENTATIONS

VISION, AIMS & OBJECTIVES

1. Please refer to the current climate emergency

JW comments -

Yes this can be included/referenced greater in both the vision and aims & objectives

2. Vision should include retaining character of Village

Can add something about retaining character/heritage

3. Support for aims & objectives

HOUSING

- 1. Housing for the elderly is needed. This should be affordable, over-development should be avoided so that the village does not lose its character.**

HNA being commissioned to establish what housing is required. Design code & housing design policy will to help retain character of Harden

- 2. 11 Ferrands Park Way - house has been left neglected after planning applications refused and sale did not happen. Can the PC or CBMDC take possession? It is an eyesore and much needed housing stock**

Will assess what can be done in NDP about taking possession of empty properties or requiring improved management

- 3. Pleased no. of houses has come down, don't want Harden to merge with Wilsden & Cullingworth**

It won't... Green belt between settlements will prevent coalescence

- 4. All new houses should have solar panels, double glazing, 2 parking spaces, insulation, water storage for rainwater**

NDP has draft policy encouraging and supporting sustainable construction and energy efficiency. Insulation is covered in building regs. Parking spaces depend on size of dwelling and is covered in NDP and CMBDC Core Strategy. Rainwater collection will be part of design code and policy.

- 5. Bungalows (or accessible homes) are needed**

HNA being commissioned to establish what housing is required. NDP has lifetime homes policy.

- 6. Protect, at all costs, the lovely view from the road across from the cricket looking southwards**

Site was allocated for dev, we will review to see what current status is. Could form LGS.

NDP could include a section on key views???

TRANSPORT & MOVEMENT

1. **Speeding in the village centre is a major issues. Speed cameras?**

Top issue at initial engagement, transport assessment being undertaken. NDP cannot proposed speed cameras.

2. **A car park should have been stipulated in the new development**

Resident (and possibly some visitor) parking is included as part of the scheme. Would be hard to require new dev to include public car park

3. **20mph zone through village centre - work with Wilsden & Cullingworth to create a total 20mph zone**

Transport assessment being commissioned. NDP cannot propose 20mph speed limit.

4. **No double yellow lines opposite fxc shop - where will people park?**

5. **Volume of traffic has gone up**

Transport assessment being commissioned.

6. **Mirrors on cottage to allow safe* turning from castle grove Parish Plan?**

7. **Speed cameras needed in centre of village, lots of speeding**

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8. **It can be scary walking into the village because of speeding cars**

Yes it can. Active travel parish project seeking improved walking route.

9. **Not speed humps - other options are better - but do need it to be clear around school**

NDP gives support to traffic calming measures and improved speed and traffic management. NDP cannot propose certain actions. Parish plan to seek improvements. Transport assessment underway

10. **Improved access (walking) to (?) ruin bank walk & cottingley wood estate from Harden side of Mythnholme & harden beck**

NDP and parish project seeking to improve access and walking routes, could possibly be enhanced through CIL

11. **Volume of traffic has increased, impact on air quality**

Transport assessment being commissioned - NDP includes policies around sustainable and active travel

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

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1. The suggestion that park lodge be brought in as a community facility is welcome

Thanks

2. Memorial hall in an unfortunate position for evening activities, lack of interest from residents in what is provided

Parish Project, could local groups or people provide greater use of space?

3. Could we make greater use of the memorial hall?

Yes possibly. Parish Project

4. Add St Ives Discovery centre, Golf Club and club house to list of community facilities & the ivy cafe

OK - will add

5. Are the St Ives play areas toilets being closed?

Don't know

6. We need more facilities and recreational opportunities for families and young people

Noted - already in draft NDP

7. Education, family and pre-school facilities need to be recognised in the plan

Can be referenced in the plan, these will be protected in the CBMDC Core Strategy already and should not be repeated

8. Harden park lodge - good idea bringing it into community use

Thanks

9. Add horse riding schools to community facilities

GREEN SPACES

- 1. Take over maintenance of old dam and discuss with Aire Valley Trust how to improve it, both in terms of safety and biodiversity**

NDP proposes old dam becomes LGS - could form part of GI policy and local group could provide enhancements as part of Parish Plan

- 2. Protect, at all costs, the lovely view from the road across from the cricket looking southwards**

Potential to be LGS depending on site allocation

- 3. Protect view towards cuckoo nest woods**

NDP will assess

- 4. How can we fix the litter problem?**

Parish project, more bins?

- 5. Green spaces in and around village must be protected**

Some already are through green belt designation, others are proposed LGS and will be protected

- 6. Wildlife corridors are really important - it is disappearing, no more hedgehogs**

Yes and agree with both points. NDP has GI policy and Parish project could seek to provide biodiversity enhancements, more could be added to policy about wildlife with examples in design code

- 7. As many as possible should be kept, encourage more planting**

Yes we have both a LGS and GI policy aimed at conserving and enhancing green spaces

HERITAGE

1. Preserve it

Yes, we are trying

2. Fish and chip shop and Harden Park Lodge to be added?

Yes to both, potentially. HPL could also be a community facility

3. Dry stone walls

This could be included in both policy and design guidance and a defining characteristic

4. Make it clear that listed properties already have protection and show info on them

Yes they will all be mapped and photos included in the NDP

5. Harden hall, Woodbank (house), Ivy House farm

All 3 already listed

6. Cottages running up wilsden old road opposite the beck

Already proposed NDHA

7. Cockcroft fold

Potentially but UPVC additions weaken possibility

8. Heritage is very important, discovery centre is a great resource

BUSINESS & EMPLOYMENT

1. **All residents to be encouraged to use local shops and facilities**

Not a land-use planning policy but could be in Parish plan

2. **We are very lucky to have these shops**

OTHER

1. **Concerns around the stability of the mill dam, as considerable amount of groundwork going on in the former garage next to it**

2. **Empty buildings, not many here but owners should be made to do something to them**

Possible NDP policy or could be parish plan, would need identifying

1. **Good idea about bringing harden park lodge back into community use**

Thanks

2. **Allotments project could include community gardening and learning around biodiversity**

Yes it could

3. **Walking and cycling route connecting with Bingley - this would enable people to enjoy views**

Yes it would

4. **Safety really important (active travel) including families and kids in prams**

Yes it is

NDP ACTIONS/RESPONSES

AIMS, OBJECTIVES & VISION

1. Include reference to climate emergency
2. Include reference to conserving heritage/character

HOUSING

3. Design code to cover character
4. NDP to assess what can be done about long term empty properties
5. NDP to reflect on what else could be covered in relation to sustainable homes & design, could be policy and/or design guidance
6. NDP to await outcome of HNA and propose housing to meet local needs

TRANSPORT & MOVEMENT

7. Await results of transport assessment

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

8. Add Harden Park Lodge, St Ives Discovery Centre, Golf Club & Club House & horse riding schools to community facilities
9. Add note in NDP about schools being covered in Local Plan - hence absent in NDP policy for retention

GREEN SPACES

10. Add more about wildlife protection and enhancement, in both policy and design guidance, new tree planting

HERITAGE

12. Add something about dry stone walls, either in policy or design guidance
13. Include section about listed buildings/structures
14. Key view policy section?

PARISH PLAN ACTIONS/RESPONSES

- 1. Depending on results of transport assessment - initiate project relating to speed, traffic and parking management**
- 2. Start Harden - Bingley active travel project**
- 3. Increased use of Memorial Hall**
- 4. Liaise with CBMDC over running Harden Park Lodge for community use/cafe**
- 5. Local groups to help deliver wildlife and biodiversity enhancements on green spaces**
- 6. Allotment project (skills development, wildlife & biodiversity, community gardening)**
- 7. Something about litter.... community litter picks, more bins? Signs about littering**
- 8. Promote greater use of local businesses?**