



Watlington Parish Council

**Watlington**  
Neighbourhood  
Development Plan



## **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ADVISORY BOARD**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ADVISORY BOARD HELD ON MONDAY 20<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2023 AT 7.00p.m. VIA ZOOM**

**Present:** Gill Bindoff (GB), Fiona Danks (FD), Tony Powell (TP), Keith Jackson (KJ), Andrew McAuley (AM), Terry Jackson (TJ)

1. Welcome and apologies for absence:  
There were no apologies.
2. Declarations of Interest  
There were none.
3. Minutes of the meeting of 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023:  
The minutes were agreed as a correct record of the meeting and will be signed by the Chair (GB)  
There were no matters arising.
4. Review of the WNDP:
  - a) Update on the presentation of aims/objectives and policies.:  
The latest version of the aims/objectives and of the policies have been circulated by TP. RG has begun to work on the new document.
  - b) Policies on Watlington as a service centre, Employment and Infrastructure:  
A meeting with WBA has been arranged for 5:30pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March at the Watlington Club. Steve Bolingbroke has put together a list of local businesses.
  - c) Appraisal of sites in the WNDP area put forward in the SODC call for sites:  
This was deferred from the previous meeting. After consideration it was agreed that no action is required as the review of the WNDP will not include evaluation of new sites for development.
  - d) Review of the Sustainability Appraisal:  
FD has reviewed the objectives. SODC will be incorporating the Natural England Green Infrastructure paper into their plans. GB/FD to have a zoom meeting review in the next 2 weeks.

5. Locality funded projects - updates:

- a) High Streets and Social Infrastructure:  
Rhian Woods has completed some proposed plans for the renovation of 33 High Street, including a building in the rear garden which could link in with the library. GB to recirculate the document. There will be a meeting with the Friends of Watlington Library on the 6<sup>th</sup> March followed by a consultation.
- b) Design Guide:  
The final copy has been received and circulated.
- c) Trees survey:  
The report: Martin Gammie will do a zoom presentation on the report on the 6<sup>th</sup> March. KJ offered to facilitate sharing the document.

6. Update on development:

- a) Site A Red Kite View:  
FD said she had heard that only 9 households had agreed to the hedgehog highways. RG to chase up again on the other points – there has been no response from Bloor to WPC.
- b) Sites B and C: amended reserved matters applications.  
A separate NPAB meeting may be required when these applications are through so they can be discussed prior to the planning meeting. TJ asked about the number of entry points to the Edge Road. The housing mix will be based on the old SHLAA number so very few 4 bed and mostly 2/3 bed houses.
- c) Edge Road:  
The consultation opened at midday today. There are in person events in Pyrton on Thursday and Watlington on the 9<sup>th</sup> March. It was suggested that responding to the consultation be brought up at Full Council. A joint response with Pyrton, via the Interface Group, could be useful.

7. Other matters and date of next meeting:

KJ raised the issue of the Britwell Spur (at the entrance to Red Kite View). AM said that there will be a sweep not a T junction but it will not use any extra land so the more gentle sweep will not be possible.

FD said there had been a Green Plan meeting and asked about the green spaces on Red Kite view and site B and C. As far as we know Redrow want to manage their own spaces including the “community orchard”. Could the green space on Red Kite view become a wetland area?

**The date of the next meeting will be Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.30p.m.