

GREAT AYCLIFFE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



Notes of a joint meeting of the Great Aycliffe Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and Thematic Groups, held on Thursday 26 May 2016

Present: Cllr B Hall – Great Aycliffe Town Council
 Cllr I Gray – Great Aycliffe Town Council
 Cllr J Atkinson – Great Aycliffe Town Council
 Cllr M Dalton – Great Aycliffe Town Council
 Cllr M Dixon – Durham County Council
 Mr B Riley – GAMP
 Mr D Sutton-Lloyd – Public Representative
 Mr S Howarth – Community Representative

Cllr A M Chandran – Thematic Groups
 Cllr P Kjenstad – Thematic Groups
 Mr C Peacock – Thematic Groups
 Mrs S Cooke – Thematic Groups
 Mr M Rowcroft – Thematic Groups
 Mrs K Woodhams – Thematic Groups

Officers Mrs C A Walton – Corporate and Policy Officer
 Miss A Donald – Town Clerk's PA

Item No	Discussion	Action
1.	Apologies for Absence Apologies for absence were received from Cllr R S Fleming, Cllr W M Blenkinsopp, Mr S Cooper, Mr I Wiggett, Mr J Snowball, Mrs C Benson, Mrs K Clark, Mrs E French	
2.	Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest.	
3.	Notes of the Previous Meeting The notes of the meeting held on 17 March 2016 were accepted as a correct record.	
4.	Pre-Submission Consultation Update A summary of responses received to date from the pre-submission consultation had been circulated in advance. There had been 38 responses, almost all of which had shown positive support for the draft policies. In addition, comments received via Facebook had also been very positive. D Sutton-Lloyd reported that he had received positive feedback from residents attending his local community centre. It was pointed out that the initial questionnaire received thousands of comments, with a wide range of opinions and it was therefore felt that the relatively small number of responses from this consultation, which had been widely circulated, would indicate general public satisfaction with the policies.	

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	<p>After careful consideration of the responses and comments, it was agreed that no further work on or amendments to the policies were required at this point. It was, however, agreed that a definition of 'affordable' housing would be helpful as a guideline since this was a subjective term.</p> <p>All comments received as part of the consultation would be transferred to a data sheet and be accompanied by a comment from the joint Steering and Thematic Group, although most would require only a comment along the lines of 'duly noted'.</p> <p>The consultation would continue until 10 June, following which there would be another 6-week public consultation conducted by the County Council.</p>	
6.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>It was agreed that the next meeting should be held following the six-week consultation conducted by the County Council, when information on the public response would be available. As usual, members would be notified by e-mail in advance of the meeting.</p>	