

## LINDFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an **EXTRAORDINARY MEETING** of LINDFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held on **THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER 2014** at the King Edward Hall, Lindfield.

The meeting began at 7.30 p.m.

**Present:**

Parish Councillors: Mr. W. Blunden (Chairman)  
Mr. M. Amor  
Mrs. J. Chatfield  
Mr. A. Gomme  
Mr. S. Hodgson  
Mr. R. Pickett  
Mr. R. Plass  
Mr. C. Snowling  
Mrs. V. Upton

**In attendance:** Mrs. C. Irwin

**Not present:** Parish Councillors Mr. M. Allen, Mr. S. Henton and Mrs. M. Hersey

### **477. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

477.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Allen, Henton and Pickett and the reasons were accepted.

### **478. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

478.1 There were no declarations of interest in any items on the Agenda.

### **479. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

479.1 There were no members of the public present.

### **480. APPROVAL OF FORMAL SUBMISSION OF THE LINDFIELD AND LINDFIELD RURAL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN TO MID SUSSEX DISTRICT COUNCIL UNDER REGULATION 15 OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2012.**

480.1 The Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Plan and the following associated submission documents had been circulated to Members:

- A map identifying the area to which the proposed Neighbourhood Plan related (incorporated in the Plan document).
- The Consultation Statement (together with supporting/background documents)
- A statement explaining how the proposed Neighbourhood Plan met the requirements of paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, known as the Basic Conditions Statement.

It was **NOTED** that the Neighbourhood Plan and associated documents had been approved for submission to MSDC by Lindfield Rural Parish Council on 1 December.

Councillor Gomme, Chairman of the Joint Steering Group, reported that, following consultation and subsequent informal discussion with officers at Mid Sussex District Council, who had been concerned about the low number of responses received, the Steering Group had written again to the statutory consultees and requested acknowledgements even if they had no comments to make. Just three more responses had been received but together with over twenty acknowledgements, the Steering Group now considered there to be sufficient evidence of this consultation. In reviewing the document for submission, just a few minor changes had been made to the wording but the Plan was, in essence, little different from the draft drawn up a year previously.

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It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the following documents for formal submission to Mid Sussex District Council, under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, in accordance with the recommendation of the LLRNP Steering Group.

- The Lindfield and Lindfield Rural Neighbourhood Plan
- A map identifying the area to which the proposed Neighbourhood Plan related (incorporated in the Plan document).
- The Consultation Statement (together with supporting/background documents)
- A statement explaining how the proposed Neighbourhood Plan met the requirements of paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, known as the Basic Conditions Statement.

480.2 The Council expressed appreciation to Members of the Steering Group, in particular its Chairman Councillor Gomme and Vice Chairman, Councillor Spooner of Lindfield Rural Parish Council who had shouldered most of the work and to the staff members of both Councils, especially Iain McLean, Deputy Clerk of LPC, who had given excellent support to the Steering Group.

The meeting concluded at 7.35 p.m.