

Minutes
of the MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN COMMITTEE
meeting held in the Lawling Park Hall
on Tuesday 6th September 2016
at 7.03 p.m.

Present: Cllr Spires (Chairman) S Akers
Cllr Duncan J Logie
Cllr Evans B Edwards
D Abernethy L Haywood

Clerk: Mrs J Massenhove

21. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from T Dixon.

22. Declaration of Interests

B Edwards declared an interest as an owner of land adjacent to 1 Mill Road.

23. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Cllr Duncan proposed accepting the minutes from the meeting held on 5th July 2016. Cllr Evans seconded the proposal, all in favour. The minutes were signed and dated as a true record.

24. Public Discussion

No members of the public were present, although S Akers produced a letter that had been forwarded to her by a resident, relating to comment to the Planning Inspectorate regarding planning application OUT/MAL/15/00610. The Clerk stated that this matter is included within the next full parish council agenda.

Cllr Gibson joined the meeting at 7.16 p.m.

25. Progress Report

Cllr Spires reported that initial meetings have taken place with landowners (or their representatives) of the Bridges and the Gatehouse sites. Contact has yet to be made with industrial areas and the school.

Community Land Trusts were discussed. It was noted that some time ago, the parish council was approached by the Henry Gilder Trust asking whether MPC had any land available for alms houses. At the time there was none, but it may be beneficial to work with a group like this in the future.

26. Consultations with Landowners

Cllr Spires reported that, further to the working party meetings held to date, both sets of landowners wish to discuss further. Currently there is no time pressure relating to either site, they are waiting for the parish council to take the next step.

Cllr Spires stressed the need to speak to all landowners.

27. Timescales

There was discussion as to what should form the basis for discussion with business areas and the school.

It was noted that a planning application has recently been submitted for four houses at the Blackwater Marina. Cllr Evans suggested that, this being the case, discussion with this landowner should be given priority. Clerk to write to the landowner inviting them to meet with a working party to discuss potential use of the land. It was reiterated that any

working party meeting is for discussion and the gathering of information only; no decisions can be made. Clerk to re-circulate the NP working party terms of reference to all NP members.

Clerk to seek advice from MDC regarding the designation of heritage assets and listed buildings.

Ownership of industrial units was discussed. Cllr Spires commented that we need to determine owners' own long term plans for the industrial site (whether industrial, housing or a mixture) and how these fit with our survey results. It was observed that it may be preferable for units to be owned rather than rented. B Edwards to identify owners. Clerk to draft a letter to them asking for discussion regarding the future of the area within the Neighbourhood Plan.

Cllr Spires stated that confirmation is required that the school will be able to accommodate the increasing number of children as more houses are built. It was noted that the school has accommodated a significantly higher number of pupils in the past than it does at present. Clerk to write to the head teacher to request a meeting. It was suggested that there are insufficient pre-school places in the village and that this point might be included within discussion with the school.

Discussion is also required with the doctors' surgeries.

28. Items for Next Agenda

Clerk to contact Mr Baxter of the University of East London to enquire when the next draft of the NP document may be available.

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Date of next meeting, Tuesday 18th October 2016