



PENRYN
Town Council

Minutes of the Penryn Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Wednesday 12 December 2018 at 6.30pm

The Council Chamber, Higher Market Street, Penryn

Present: Councillor Ms Rebecca Holden (RH) Mike Sizer (MS)
Councillor Dr Jo Garrett (JG) Eric Dawkins (ED)
Terry Grove-White (TGW) Frances Dawkins (FD)
Mael Garrec (MG) Martin Jones (MJ)

In Attendance: Linda Body (LB minutes)

Agenda Item:	Minute:	Action:
1. Apologies	Apologies were received from Councillor Mrs M May (MM), Councillor John Symons (JS), Helen Perry (HP), Mark James (MJ), Councillor C Mullins (CM) and Mr J Atkinson (JA)	
2. Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.	
3. Minutes of previous meeting	The minutes of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group held on the 14 November 2018 were approved as a true and accurate record. <i>Proposed by Mr Eric Dawkins and seconded by Councillor Dr Jo Garrett</i>	
4. Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An email had been received from Mr Jim Atkinson explaining to the group that as he was moving away from the area, he would not be able to attend future NHP meetings. He wished the group well in its future endeavours. RH requested that a letter of thanks be written to JA to thank him for his valuable time and support on the group. As the recent grant funding application had been approved for the MHCLG/Locality Site Assessment technical support package the AECOM team in Plymouth requested an inception meeting in Penryn in the New Year. LB to arrange a pre-meet with some members of the group prior to this meeting. 	LB LB
5. Plan Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Settlement Boundary (Policy 1) – TGW presented his proposal for Penryn’s settlement boundary. The members discussed this at length, especially the issue for any future proposals for development outside the boundary, i.e. they should meet a clearly 	

	<p>evidenced local need for affordable homes and be treated as exception sites led by 100% affordable housing.</p> <p>It was proposed that the policy should state that preference should also be given to brown field sites. TGW will email to the group the proposed map if everyone wished to see it in more detail. It was also suggested that TGW take a look at Cornwall Council's travel consultation document.</p> <p>The steering group had no objections to the proposed settlement boundary at this time and is happy for the draft plan to go to the Council meeting in January 2019 for further consultation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy for exception sites – the steering group agreed that this is in line with the approvals sought for any community housing that would be accepted outside of the development boundary. • Green infrastructure/local green space/landscape areas – TGW presented a plan of the local green spaces along with land registry data. TGW will email to all in the group. The members discussed the fact that some plots of land were not highlighted on the maps, e.g. Permarin Park, the Rugby Club and the memorial gardens etc. It was decided that there needs to be more green space highlighted, i.e. north side of the river along with protection of footpaths etc. <p>The group to consider before the next meeting their thoughts on which green spaces should be protected and bring back their proposals to the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College Valley boundary – the members were happy with the proposed boundary. • Kernick Industrial Estate – the group discussed the various options for the industrial estate and was keen to reinforce TGW's proposal already stated in the plan. There were further discussions regarding employment hubs, digital infrastructure and also the economic environment and growth, which should be taken into consideration. <p>It was agreed that all would come back to the next meeting with ideas on how to encourage further business use of the Kernick site. TGW suggested that a separate document, supporting the plan could be drafted in regard to the economic growth of the site. Rame has already completed a report on their site and TGW will circulate to all.</p>	<p>TGW</p> <p>TGW</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>TGW</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity – TGW explained that he had reduced the text from the previous report and had included links into Cornwall Council’s guidance information on biodiversity. The group were happy with the shortened version, which was more concise. • Vision statement – some members of the group had come forward with some suggestions regarding their visions of the plan. All to email their suggestions to LB and this will be discussed at the Council meeting in January. 	All
6. Student Accommodation	<p>TGW explained that he had spoken with Cornwall Council (CC) on the Article 4 process for the Plan. He was advised that it is an expensive and lengthy process. However, if Penryn, through the NHP group could identify a rationale and evidence base then CC would consider working with the Council to support having Article 4 included in the plan.</p> <p>It was highlighted by RH, after lengthy discussion on this topic, that this is going to be a large amount of work to undertake. It was suggested that Oliver Lane from the University be invited back to the group for a further update on student residences but also to have a single-issue meeting at the February meeting to allow full discussion around Article 4. LB to invite Mr Lane to the February meeting. TGW will scope out the scale of some of the work surrounding Article 4, especially if it can be included in the Plan but not for the whole of Penryn.</p> <p>LB to email MS and MJ the previous presentation from Oliver Lane.</p>	<p>LB TGW</p> <p>LB</p>
7. Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TGW to draft out an updated version of the plan • TGW to present an update on the Neighbourhood Plan to the Town Council meeting on 7 January 2019. • Design of the document now needs to commence. LB to invite Mike Hewett to a separate meeting in January 	LB
8. Date of next meetings	<p>16 January 2019 – 6.30pm 13 February 2019 – 6.30pm</p>	