

# Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council

## Neighbourhood Plan Update

### Meeting Notes 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023

**Present:** David Whiter, Peter Bloyce, Charlie Butfoy, Sheena Grassi, Roger Doust, Gillian Moore, Alan Renwick

**Apologies:** Kate Tuck, Kate Hope, Francesca Maritan, Murray Campbell

The Chair thanked Murray Campbell for deputising and congratulated the members on the ground they had covered at the last meeting.

## 2 Funding & Expenditure

ETPlanning had come for interview and had made an interesting presentation. We await a revised price (due late July) and will discuss the bids at the next meeting to make a choice.

No extra cost to date.

## 3 Review of Objectives

The review of Objectives had been completed and the finalised schedule would be circulated. It would be sent to the consultants on appointment to conduct a survey of parish opinion. **DW**

It was made clear that the Green Spaces Objective was to protect the natural green landscape against any development and encroachment. It had been suggested by ETPlanning that Cowdery's Down was already protected, and the Deputy Clerk would be asked to investigate this. **Deputy Clerk**

As Dark Skies were a parish policy it would be mentioned in the NP.

PB said Locality told him a Housing Needs Assessment was not needed, and East of Basingstoke would probably satisfy need in OB&L. One divergence between advice offered by PlanET and ETPlanning was over timing of presenting views to Basingstoke & Deane. ETPlanning had specifically recommended moving forward as this would weigh with B&D and would carry weight as a material consideration with the Examiner. It was noted that B&D's Reg 18 might be postponed to January 2024.

## 4 Publicity & Communications

When the consultant was appointed (hopefully August 2), the revised list of objectives would be forwarded to them to set up a consultation with the parish. Various possibilities existed including a freemail questionnaire insert via Basinga (as previously) or an invitation via Basinga to mailchimp or similar. GM expressed concern that an electronic questionnaire might discount older members of the parish. GM also volunteered her partner to review questions. AR would use the OBLEC volunteer list to invite questions.

**GM, AR**

DW invited ALL to consider the format of questions for members of the parish that might be forwarded to the consultant.

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## 5 Evidence Log

Review of Objectives to be added.

**GM**

## 6 Next Meetings August 2, September 5