

Ashtead Neighbourhood Forum

Minutes of the Meeting held on Saturday 12th November 2016

Place	The Ralli Room, Ashtead Peace Memorial Hall 10.00 - 11.00 pm
Present	Jean Bradley, Ray Cane (RC), Gordon Chilton, Tony Cooper (TC), Mary Cooper, Andy Ellis (AE), Bryan Elphick, Paula Hancock (PH), Paul Hancock, Kate Henderson, Nigel Herbert (NH), John Morgan (JM), Allan Mornement (AM), Glynis Peterkin (GP), Sue Stansfield (SS), Di Stirling (DS), Alex Tombs (AT), Tony Tuley (TT), Pam Ventham-Smith (PV-S), Sofia Welsby (SW)
In attendance	Jane Smith (JS) MVDC
Apologies	Bob Cane, Mark Everett, Roy Guy (RG), David Hawksworth (PDH), James Millar Craig, Peter Smith, Chris Townsend (CT), Andrea Turrin and Patricia Wiltshire (PW).
Non attendees	Helen Gillespie, David Harper (DH), Elizabeth Hrywniak, John Longstaff (JL) and Marie Pigden

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<p>1, Introduction, Minutes of the Last Meeting</p> <p>The minutes of the March meeting were agreed and signed.</p>	
<p>2. Election of Officers.</p> <p>There being no other candidates for either post Tony Tuley and Di Stirling were duly re-elected to the posts of Chairman and Secretary.</p>	
<p>3. The Examiner's Comments.</p> <p>TT gave a brief precis of the Examiner's report as sent to the Forum. He confirmed that the report complied with all the necessary local and national legal requirements and that the examiner had been very complimentary about the report saying that its quality was exemplary.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TT then tackled the problem that the Ashtead NDP will be published and voted on before the publication of the Mole Valley Local Plan and the possible need to reassess the plan as a result. The Examiner is aware of this and it explains the insertion of the paragraph stating this on page 10. • JS said that the higher number of houses looked for in the new Mole Valley Local Plan shouldn't come as a surprise. But this number is based on there being no constraints. However, in Mole Valley there are constraints such as the Green Belt and the concentration of housing in the north of the district. Just because a number has been published it should not be assumed that it is what MVDC is aiming at. There is always the possibility of negotiating with neighbouring councils. • Trinity College, who owns green belt land in the village that could possibly be developed had submitted a robust representation decrying our NDP process. Their comments had been noted but not accepted by the examiner. • PH asked for the possible publication date of the MV Local Plan. JS replied that the target was mid-2018 and Ashtead needs to do nothing 	

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<p><u>AS-Ec3</u> It was agreed that the lower section of this policy be deleted as suggested. DS then pointed out that the first of the explanatory terms below was no longer needed. JS suggested a rewrite with an explanation of both terms.</p> <p><u>AS-En1 and 3.</u> Agreed</p> <p><u>AS-EN2.</u> PDH had sent a written request and arguments for the wording 'with public amenity value' to be omitted. This was discussed and it was suggested that this should not be accepted as it changed the overall intention of the policy. The policy was agreed.</p> <p><u>AS-Inf1, 2 and 3.</u> Agreed.</p> <p>TT explained the two new explanatory appendices added at the end are quotes from the MVDC Local Plan.</p> <p>A unanimous vote at the meeting agreed to the NDP going forward subject to the two minor changes made as stated above. Three postal votes had been received in favour of the NDP (and not cancelled following PDH's submission) and two were against.</p> <p>JS explained that if MVDC agree with the Ashtead NDP they will then arrange for a referendum in May to coincide with the County Council elections. She added that she saw no reason why the plan should not go forward.</p>	
<p>4. Meetings for 2017</p> <p>The next date for a Forum meeting is 11th February. At this meeting the decision of MVDC will be discussed plus possible plans on informing the village of the referendum and raising the profile of the NDP. There will be a meeting of ACV before then to put forward suggestions as to the best possible ways to get the village involved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DS asked of there any restrictions on what might be said in NDP advertising or promotional literature. JS is to investigate. • There will also be a Forum meeting on 20th May to discuss the referendum result and plan any further actions. 	JS
<p>5. AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was confirmed that Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) payments will start to be paid from the 1st January next year. RC reported that an article regarding CIL money may be found on the MVDC website. • PH stated that now the process of the NDP had been completed she felt certain people in particular needed thanking, namely AE whose vision it was to set up the process and JS for all her support. AE thanked the room but said that in all thirty people had been involved with ACV over the course of the process and should be included in that thanks. GP announced that ACV had already expressed its thanks to JS by presenting her with a signed and framed front cover of the NDP and a rose named 'Tranquillity'. 	
<p>10. Dates for the 2017 meetings at APMH are as follows:</p> <p>11th February and 20th May both at 10.00 am</p>	ALL