

OXSPRING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 9th November 2015

At

10am in Saint Aidan's Church

1. Attendance

a. In attendance

Councillor I Goldthorpe	(IG)	(Chair)
Councillor A Walker	(AW)	(Vice Chair & Joint Chair NP)
Councillor G Sedgwick	(GS)	
C Kelleher	(CK)	(Joint Chair NP)
H Willows	(HW)	(BMBC Planning)
L Kirkup	(LK)	(Kirkwells Consultants)
S Tolson	(ST)	(Clerk to the Parish Council)

b. Apologies

None.

2. Business Matters

a. Local Plan Additional Consultation 2015

- Helen Willows went through the Local Plan Additional Consultations sites and policies in detail. She explained that some of the sites on the original sites and places document were not viable, and therefore this consultation is to look at additional sites that have come forward since.
- Helen also explained the new Local Plan timetable, and explained how the recent Statement of Community Involvement had affected it.
- She explained that there has been no change in the general policy of protecting the villages.
- Helen spoke about the BMBC Green Belt review and confirmed that it is now complete.
- The current Local Plan timetable is as follows: Consultation – June/July 2016, Submission to Secretary of State – Autumn 2016, Examination – Feb 2017, Adoption – Summer 2017.

2b. Oxspring Draft Neighbourhood Plan

- The content of the Draft Neighbourhood Plan was looked at in detail with Helen Willows, and several changes to wording, ordering of contents etc were proposed. All agreed changes will be made by Louise Kirkup.
- The proposed timetable for the NP is as follows: Informal consultation - December 2015, PC formal approval – Feb 2016, Reg 14 Consultation – March/April 2016, Reg 16 Consultation – June 2016.
- It was noted that the consultation dates may have to change due to them possibly being at the same time as the Local Plan consultation in June 2016 which could be confusing. Timings will be looked at in the Spring next year to try to avoid them being at the same time.
- It was discussed as to whether an SEA is required. It was agreed to get a Screening Opinion done which will examine whether an SEA is needed.