

# MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD IN ST. JAMES THE GREAT CHURCH ON JANUARY 12th, 2017

1. **Apologies** were received from Mark Walker.  
Present were Nicky Brooks, Eileen Mawle, Alan Wilson, Martin Wilson & Simon Stace and 14 members of the public.
2. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest** and other conflicts of interest: Eileen Mawle & Alan Wilson said they own land within the area that a proposed Neighbourhood Plan (NP) would cover.
3. **Gladman Development Proposal.**

1st Resolution. The Parish Council opposes the Gladman Development Proposal.

- AW proposed and SS seconded this resolution which was carried unanimously.

2nd resolution. **The Parish Council endorses the status of South Leigh in the revised draft Local Plan as submitted by WODC to the Inspector.**

Before the vote there was a short explanation from the chair that the village status is a Grade A, linear type, multifocal village. Grade A meaning development is not permitted. A NP would dovetail into WODC's Local Plan.

- SS proposed this resolution, AW seconded and the vote was 4 in agreement with one abstention.

3rd resolution. **The Parish Council authorises the Chair and the Clerk to do all the research and meetings that may be required in support of Resolutions 1 and 2 and to report back to the Parish Council as required in a timely fashion.**

- This was proposed by EM, seconded by SS and carried unanimously.

## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

1st Resolution. **The Parish council agrees to the establishment of an Informal Group to investigate and progress the formulation of a Neighbourhood Plan with a view to the establishment as soon as possible of a formal Neighbourhood Plan sub-committee of the Parish Council and the Parish Council authorises the Chair and the Clerk to register with WODC as soon as convenient the intention of the Parish to progress with such a plan.**

Before a vote was taken the chair stressed that this resolution means that the Parish Council is in favour of a NP and that such a plan will cover all the land within the parish boundary.

- Proposed by EM, seconded by AW. Passed unanimously.

2nd resolution. The Parish Council agrees formally to appoint Ken Brooks as chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, this Steering Group being a tool to facilitate initial investigation of the steps and tasks before us and to enable the recruitment and formalisation of the main Neighbourhood Plan Sub-committee as soon as possible.

- Proposed by EM, seconded by SS and carried unanimously.

Ken Brooks explained this will be a small group to carry out initial research, to liaise with Eynsham PC, to produce a progress report and a questionnaire for villagers. The intention is that all groups in the village and all sections of the village will be represented so that it consists of as wide a group of people as possible.

3rd resolution. **The Parish Council agrees formally to adopt the structure as suggested by Ken Brooks as the first steps to be undertaken with regard to the investigation and progress of the Neighbourhood Plan.**

- Proposed EM seconded AW, unanimously carried.

Ken Brooks will report back to the PC when he is in a position to suggest nominations to the sub-committee.