

## **MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MAY 15th, 2017**

Present were Nicky Brooks, Mark Walker, Eileen Mawle, Alan Wilson, Martin Wilson and Simon Stace plus Peter Emery (WODC), Ken Brooks (Neighbourhood Plan) and four members of the public.

**Declaration of Interest:** Mark Walker and Alan Wilson as landowners within the parish declared an interest in the Gladman Barnard Garden Village Development Vision. Eileen Mawle also declared an interest as she owns land within the parish and in Witney.

The minutes for the April 11th meeting were signed as true record of proceedings.

### **MATTERS ARISING**

**Neighbourhood Plan.** Ken Brooks said the deadline for the return of surveys had now passed and the number of responses was pleasing. A summary of the most important points is attached and these will be included in a consolidated document in early June that will subsequently be for village consultation. This is only the start of a very long process of consultations and will end with a village referendum.

It was then resolved to sign the Memorandum of Understanding, the Steering Group terms of Reference, which was duly nominated, seconded and unanimously passed. The chair then signed the document and KB informed the meeting that next we will need a Sustainability Report, a Housing Report and Historic Landscape Report. These will be produced by consultants paid for by the Government.

**WODC Local Plan.** The new draft which includes the Gladman Plan for South Leigh is being inspected at present and NB is attending daily.

**Just Cartridges.** No response from WODC planning on previous query concerning rules about storage of cartridges. We understand cartridges will be sold from the site, is a change of use for retail sales required?

**Football pitch.** The lease will expire next year. This may be a good time to amend a new lease to include more general use and not be restricted to the football club. It was also felt there might be a benefit in having the lease in the name of the Parish Council.

### **PLANNING APPLICATION**

**Mason Arms.** Internal and external conversion work to change staff annexe and store rooms to guest rooms. There was support in general but a query was raised about the removal of a fireplace from a Grade 2 listed building but the main concern was ensuring sufficient off-road car parking.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter received about the poor condition of a couple of footpaths on Tar Farm land. We will ask our Footpath Wardens to investigate and report back.

Also received is a letter from the Footpath Wardens stating their annoyance at a letter from Mr. Gascoigne being included on the web that states "and not the various unofficial footpaths mentioned in your newsletter" as their walks shown in the newsletter have never involved any footpath that is not a designated one. We will contact Mr. Gascoigne to explain.