

# Minutes of Faversham Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Hybrid Meeting held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**Present:** John Irwin, Hannah Perkin and Alison Reynolds

**In attendance:** Adrienne Begent (Deputy Town Clerk)

1.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u>  Apologies were received from G Wade	
2.	<u>Declarations of interest</u>  There were no declarations of interest.	
3.	<u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u>  The Minutes of the meeting held on 27 <sup>th</sup> February were approved as an accurate record. They were proposed by Cllr J Irwin and seconded by Cllr A Reynolds. These minutes had been presented to Full Council on 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2023.	
4.	<u>Regulation 14</u>  The Chairman gave an update on Regulation 14. Urban Vison had considered responses to the 37 letter representations that had been received. The Steering Group had received weekly updates and had met weekly to discuss.  Some issues from the letter representations were outstanding which the members discussed before making the following recommendations.  It was proposed by John Irwin, seconded by Alison Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was <b>RECOMMENDED FAV18 should be removed from the site allocations.</b>  It was proposed by John Irwin, seconded by Hannah Perkin and on being put to the meeting it was <b>RECOMMENDED Kiln and Osborne Courts should be listed as separate sites in the site allocation with specific policy designed to encourage the inclusion of specialist accommodation and affordable housing.</b>  It was proposed by John Irwin, seconded by Hannah Perkin and on being put to the meeting it was <b>RECOMMENDED that net biodiversity for brownfield sites should be reduced from 20% to 10% inline with the Boughton and Dunkirk Neighbourhood Plan and NPPF.</b>	

	<p>It was acknowledged that Net Biodiversity in the emerging Local Plan was 20% which when made would override Faversham NHP.</p> <p>It was proposed by Hannah Perkin, seconded by Alison Reynolds and on being put to the meeting it was <b><i>RECOMMENDED that the Town Council should initiate the process of reviewing the Faversham NHP within 18 months of the emerging Local Plan being adopted.</i></b></p> <p>Members wish to encourage the new council moving forward to allocate budget for monitoring of the plan and for the new Planning Committee to receiving training on the NHP.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Delegated Power</u></p> <p>It was proposed by Hannah Perkin, seconded by John Irwin and on being put to the meeting it was <b><i>RECOMMENDED that Delegated Power be given to the Officers of Faversham Town Council to make further amendments to the plan as required for Regulation 16 and publish Regulation 14 response documents when legally appropriate to do so.</i></b></p> <p>It was proposed by Hannah Perkin, seconded by John Irwin and on being put to the meeting it was <b><i>RECOMMENDED that Delegated Power be given to the Officers of Faversham Town Council to forward Faversham Neighbourhood Plan and accompanying documents (HRA, SEA, Consultation Statement and Submission Statement) to SBC for Regulation 16 once approved by Faversham Town Council.</i></b></p>	
6.	<p><u>Regulation 16</u></p> <p>Advice had been received from SBC and KALC that the recommendation to proceed to Regulation 16 should not be made during the pre-election period. It was therefore agreed that the recommendation for Regulation 16 submission would not be taken to Town Council in April has previously considered.</p> <p>It was proposed by Hannah Perkin, seconded by John Irwin and on being put to the meeting it was <b><i>RECOMMENDED that an Extraordinary Meeting of Faversham Town Council be called on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May to receive the recommendation that Faversham Neighbourhood Plan is sent to Swale Borough Council for Regulation 16.</i></b></p>	