**Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Sub-Committee meeting**

**held at 10am on Thursday 27th May 2021 via Zoom**

Present: Cllr B Bayford,

Community members, Peter Lorenzo, Sue Wall, Laura Scotney. Robert Holden

Kirsty Holroyd Town Clerk (TC)

Danielle Dunn (DD)- Goldstone Town Planning

**45. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN FOR 2021/22**

**RESOLVED:**

**i)That Cllr B Bayford be appointed Chairman for the year.**

**ii)That Mr Lorenzo be appointed Vice chairman for the year**

**46. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies with reason were offered and accepted from Clr J Bayford

Cllrs P Moore and D Saunders were absent.

**47. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**48. MINUTES**

Members approved the minutes of the meeting held on of the 25th March 2021 and it was agreed they could be signed as a true record at the next opportunity.

**RESOLVED: Members agreed to note**

**49. COMMUNITY SURVEY**

Jonathan Steele attended the meeting as a representative of Breakthrough Communications and presented an executive summary of the results. A total of 609 responses had been received. The key emerging themes were discussed and considered. Mr Steele explained that the final report would be ready for the next meeting. The Chairman thanked Mr Steele for his attendance.

**50. REFERENDUM**

Members received and considered the results of the referendum held by TDC. It was agreed that overwhelming number of Yes votes in support of the Neighbourhood Plan was a cause for celebration. However there had been a small amount of confusion in the community about the referendum despite a thorough publicity campaign using multiple media. It was acknowledged that the unprecedented set of circumstances immediately prior to the referendum had limited the PR opportunities. This will be borne in mind during the lead up to the next referendum.

**51. THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL: CALL FOR SITES**

i)Members received a list of local green spaces as per the Neighbourhood Plan

which have been submitted to TDC for inclusion in the Local Plan.

**RESOLVED: Members agreed to note**

ii) Members received an additional list of spaces, two of which had been identified in the recently completed Community Survey, and one identified in the July 2018 Local Green Space background document but not included in the approved Neighbourhood Development Plan that went to referendum on the 6th May 2021. Members queried whether the land at Reading Street had been included and the Town Clerk agreed to double check.

**RESOLVED: Members agreed to note.**

**52. DESIGN CODE WORK-AECOM**

Danielle Dunn reported that she had spoken to AECOM who said they are still working on the project and promised a full draft in time for the next meeting.

**RESOLVED: That a representative from AECOM be asked to attend the next meeting in person.**

**53. TREE STRATEGY**

Members received a summary of the Strategy’s policy and project recommendations agreed by the working party as requested at the last meeting of this committee.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**i)That the list of policy and project recommendations be included in the Neighbourhood Plan.**

**ii) That the strategy itself need not be adopted by Council but will sit as a reference document to the Neighbourhood Plan**

**54. LOCALITY FUNDING**

The end of grant report had been completed and returned to Locality. A new round of funding has been announced for which the Town Council is eligible to apply. The Town Clerk had completed an expression of interest form and had been told that a total of £3319 could be applied for.

**RESOLVED: That the Town Clerk make a full application to Locality in order to complete the latest draft of the Plan.**

**55. FUTURE MEETINGS**

Members considered whether it would be most appropriate to meet face to face in future or remain remote

**RESOLVED: That the decision would be taken nearer the time of the next meeting when Covid restrictions may have changed.**

**56. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

24th June 2021, 10am.

Meeting closed: 10:50 am