

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING OF OXENHOPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26TH MARCH 2014 AT OXENHOPE METHODIST CHURCH, COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM

Present: Cllr Neal Cameron
Cllr Tony Maw
Cllr David Ashcroft
Cllr Pauline Bedford
Cllr Penny Cusdin
Cllr Reg Hindley
Cllr Derrick Hopkinson

In attendance: Bill Caulfield, CoBMDC Development Plan Team Leader
Emma Higgins, CoBMDC Development Planning Officer
No members of the public

215/14. Apologies consented to

Cllr Tony Jones (family commitments)

216/14. No disclosures of Interest

217/14. No applications for Dispensation

218/14. Public question time

No matters raised.

219/14. Planning

Re-submission of 13/04741/FUL: Stable block with storage at Saddlers Farm Upper Marsh Lane. The Parish Council raised no objections.

220/14. Oxenhope Neighbourhood Development Plan

The meeting was adjourned to allow Oxenhope Parish Councillors to discuss the Oxenhope Neighbourhood Development Plan with Bill Caulfield, CoBMDC Development Plan Team Leader and with Emma Higgins, CoBMDC Development Planning Officer.

The following points were included in the discussion:

Oxenhope already has the beginnings of a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). Cllr Cameron confirmed that by already having a Village Design Statement, a Parish Plan and by receiving recent approval of the Oxenhope Neighbourhood Development Area, the village has got the beginnings of an Oxenhope NDP. It was appreciated though that up to date consultations needed to take place with parishioners. Mr Caulfield responded confirming that four parish councils in the Bradford District had so far obtained approval for their respective Neighbourhood Development Areas and that all four were progressing towards their NDPs in different ways e.g. one parish council had secured funding so that the parish council could employ a consultant to write their NDP, another parish council had gained the support of Planning Aid to assist with their NDP. Bradford Council along with the parish councils were very much learning along the way, however, support was available via Bradford Council's website, the Localities website and the CPRE website.

Bradford Council's Core Strategy. Cllr Cameron queried how the current public consultation relating to Bradford Council's Core Strategy would impact on Oxenhope's NDP. Mr Caulfield responded that the consultation period would finish on 31st March and that the Core Strategy along with representations received and Bradford Council's responses to these representations would be sent to the Secretary of State. Following this the Inspector may instruct Bradford Council to publish modifications or to undertake minor wording changes. At this stage Mr Caulfield recommended that the Oxenhope NDP Committee look at the

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Publication Draft of the Core Strategy as a starting point for the Oxenhope NDP. Cllr Cameron queried the updated figure of 100 new dwellings to be built in Oxenhope by 2030 and added he could find no evidence in Bradford Council's documentation how the initial figure of 175 new dwellings had been calculated and why this figure was now 100. Mr Caulfield explained that habitat areas in the north and south Pennines had changed apportionments and that a minimum of 100 new dwellings in Oxenhope were required from 2013 to 2030. Cllr Cameron challenged the dates as it had been confirmed by Andrew Marshall at the Parish Councils' Liaison meeting in September 2013 that planning permission given for any new builds since 2004 could be deducted from the new dwellings figure. Mr Caulfield confirmed that the information given by Andrew Marshall was incorrect. Cllr Cameron confirmed that he would have a telephone conversation with Andrew Marshall the following business day and would draft a response to the Publication Draft of the Core Strategy on behalf of the Parish Council.

The Strategic Housing Local Area Assessment (SHLAA). Mr Caulfield confirmed that sites appropriate for housing allocation on the SHLAA had been identified following submissions from communities, land owners and developers. The original SHLAA had concentrated on a minimum sized site of .4 of a hectare, in the second version of SHLAA the minimum size of the site had been reduced to .2 of a hectare. Cllr Ashcroft commented that even .2 of a hectare was not small enough for a rural community like Oxenhope.

Communication. Mr Caulfield confirmed that if we can understand each other and appreciate each other's views then it would be possible to have a constructive dialogue to work through matters. Cllr Cameron confirmed that he wanted Mr Caulfield to speak on behalf of Bradford Council, not just for Bradford Council's Neighbourhood Development Team. Cllr Ashcroft added that the Oxenhope NDP Committee had to have confidence in Mr Caulfield as in the past erratic decisions made by Bradford Council's Planners had destroyed the belief that Bradford Council had a joined up approach. This comment stemmed from an earlier discussion on the Parish Council contributing to the Oxenhope Conservation Area Assessments and as a result an excellent document was produced by Bradford Council's Conservation Team, subsequently though, the Planners totally ignored the Conservation Team's objections when recommending approval to the Area Planning Panel of a dwelling at land adjacent to 22 Denholme Road.

Help to facilitate the Oxenhope NDP. Mr Caulfield confirmed that Emma Higgins would help the Oxenhope NDP Committee to facilitate the Oxenhope NDP.

Cllr Cameron thanked Mr Caulfield and Ms Higgins for their input and re-adjourned the Parish Council meeting.

221/14. Hedge cutting at Oxenhope allotments

Resolved:

- a) To note that only two quotations have been received
- b) To accept the quotation received from Keighley Tree Services

222/14. Minor items and items for the next agenda

Minor items:

- a) Agreed that Cllr Hopkinson approach the owner of a leylandii tree on Mallard View to request that the tree is cut down to avoid it being a nuisance to a neighbour.
- b) Agreed that Cllr Maw, through the Oxenhope Sports Association, pursue the S106 monies relating to the housing development on the Perseverance Mill site.
- c) Cllr Ashcroft advised members that the Minister of Sport would be visiting Oxenhope School on Thursday 3rd April.

Items for the Oxenhope Neighbourhood Development Plan agenda:

- d) To discuss the current social mix in the village and how this is impacting on transportation and highways

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223/14. To note the date, time and venue of the next meeting

- Monthly meeting on Wednesday 9th April 2014 at 7.30 p.m. at Oxenhope Methodist Church.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21:34 p.m.

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