

## Eye Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

9<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Present:

From ETC - Peter Gould – Chair, Andrew Evitt, Michael Burke, Guy McGrgor. Andy Robinson in support.

From MSDC – Robert Hobbs and Paul Bryant.

Apologies:

Richard Berry and Simon Hooton.

Main Points:

1. The Joint Local Plan timetable – Reg 18 stage (options) September 2018; Reg 19 stage (formal draft for submission) January 2019; Submission for Examination March 2019.
2. RH not able to comment on ETC's response re market town status and other matters at this time.
3. The Neighbourhood Plan likely timetable – consultation on key diagram options July 2018, Reg 15 ETC consultation on draft Plan, submission to MSDC January 2018, Reg 16 formal consultation February 2019, Examination April 2019, Revised Plan to MSDC Cabinet June 2019, 28 day Notice of Referendum June/July 2019, July 2019 referendum.
4. ETC to consider preferred Examiner and whether to have a pre submission check.
5. Planning applications for 126 and 20 houses submitted to MSDC. Lack of 5 year land supply make it difficult for MSDC to refuse. Local Plan not advanced enough for prematurity reason to be used.
6. ETC said they felt let down by MSDC whose failure to have an up to date local plan in place and to designate the Neighbourhood Plan area when formally requested to do so in 2013 has left the town unable to influence development to ensure appropriate scale, location, type and quality.
7. The potential that other owners of land currently being looked at in the Local and Neighbourhood Plan processes may also submit outline applications was also discussed. Deciding between competing sites might lead to a more constructive process which the Town could have more influence over.
8. MSDC considering giving NP areas housing targets.

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