

**Minutes of the  
Wells Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting  
held on  
7pm Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

**Present:** Graham Barrow, Helen Ellison, Ian Humphreys, Adrian l'Anson, Jenny Linsdell, Rachel Humphreys  
Tessa Munt, Jenny Rust & Stuart Todd.

**1. Apologies for absence:** Laura Waters

**2. Minutes of the previous meeting**

Agreed as a correct record.

**3. Local Green Spaces**

Cllr Jenny Rust and her daughter, Chloe Somers, are undertaking work on the eastern side of Wells and integrating the information on to an appropriate plan and database.

**4. Housing Needs Assessment & Design Guide**

AIA is sharing these documents with Mendip and hopes to have a discussion which will lead to clarity as to NP policies.

**5. Transport**

This section of the Plan needs to be worked on. Tessa Munt referred to the work related to cycle access around the new Lidl store. SCC officers are working on this although consideration of other cycle junction improvements has slipped back due to other priorities.

**6. Progress on the Plan**

Stuart Todd agreed that he has paid time available to work on the re-draft of the Plan using the significant amount of new evidence that has recently been produced by AECOM and others.

**7. Any Other Business**

Ian Humphreys referred to the need for the villages in St Cuthbert Out Parish to be viewed as providing infrastructure support for housing on the edge of Wells. Stuart Todd appreciated the point but said that the WNP could include only policies relevant to Wells.

The view was expressed that Wells should retain its integrity and avoid coalescence with other settlements. Tessa Munt referred to her work on the importance of retaining the identity of Wells as the smallest city in England (other than the City of London).

AIA referred to the need to work with SCOPC on wildlife corridors leading into Wells and the view cones which are from SCOP looking into Wells.

**8. Next meeting – 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7 pm by Zoom**