

GARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL
Gargrave Neighbourhood Plan Working Group
Wednesday 1 June 2016
Gargrave Village Hall

Present: Chairman Edward Bartle, Chairman of Parish Council, Peter Ward, Cllr Janet Turner, Cllr David Syms, Ian Maxwell, Chris Lloyd and Clerk-Kath Ashby.

- 1. To receive apologies for absence:** None received.
- 2. To approve the minutes of the GNPWG held Wednesday 27 April 2016:** Edward Bartle proposed and Chris Lloyd seconded, all in favour.
- 3. Matters arising from Minutes of GNPWG Meeting held 27 April 2016:** No matters arising.
- 4. Amended Draft Neighbourhood Plan: to be approved for submission to CDC for their 6 week Formal Consultation. (Agenda item on PC meeting Monday 13 June 2016):**

Cllr Janet Turner raised several items

Page 8 of the Draft Plan, within the first paragraph 1.1 did not seem to read just right. After discussion, the group agreed to remove the date 1999, so this would now read: - The adopted Craven Local Plan and the Gargrave Neighbourhood Plan (once made) will be part of the statutory development plan for the area.

On page 16 – 4.1.3 refers to the feedback document and gives a link highlighted in blue. Edward Bartle agreed that following this sentence and should read: - and can also be seen as a paper copy and is available from the Parish Council office.

Page 17 4.2.1 Janet Turner asked the meeting if we should add that we are currently liaising with NYCC Extra Care and the group agreed to add after Supported housing for the elderly:- and liaising with NYCC with regard to an assisted living scheme.

4.2.2 Housing numbers, it was agreed to take out the wording – over 20 years and replace with: - from 2012 – 2032.

4.2.3 At the bottom of the page it was agreed to add a last sentence to read: - These sites fulfil the requirement of both the villager's responses and new local Plan numbers.

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It was agreed to cross reference the wording from the Proposed Local Green Spaces Assessment document i.e. **1. High Green** and **2. Middle Green** and **3. Low Green** in the third column with the wording in the Neighbourhood Development Plan document, third paragraph from the bottom of page 20, **The Greens**.

All were in favour of the amendments to be sent over to Louise Kirkup as soon as possible.

5. Meeting with Bradley NP Group and the result of the legal opinion sought following the meeting:

Edward Bartle read out the meeting the notes taken at this recent meeting with Bradley NP Group:-

NOTES: Meeting of representatives of Gargrave and Bradley Neighbourhood Plan WGs, 4 May 16

Present:

For Gargrave: Jane Drake, Rufus Drake, Mike Palin, Cllrs David Syms, Janet Turner

For Bradley: Cllrs David Appleby, Derek Booth, David Cohn

Purpose: To compare experiences in dealings with CDC and specifically over divergence issues between the draft LP and the respective draft NPs.

Discussion distillation: It was agreed that the concurrent processes of developing CDC's LP and Gargrave's and Bradley's NPs offered a unique opportunity for convergence which should be taken advantage of.

Whilst cooperation with CDC officers at junior level was acknowledged to be good there was general dissatisfaction and frustration at the attitude of senior officials. Like Gargrave, Bradley had been considering how best to assert itself under current circumstances. It wished to record its dissatisfaction in a productive way with CDC, but it was unsure of its position and how to do this effectively.

The discussion focussed on the conflict between NPPF clause 185 (LA gives precedence to an NP in progress), a sticking point with CDC, and the increasing status of an NP as it moves through the development stages. Where was the tipping point when it would be reasonable to expect CDC to accept that an NP would eventuate, include it in its emerging LP and not duplicate the process as required by clause 185? There was no real desire to interfere with the LP progress, but it was felt that CDC needed to be stimulated to be more proactive on the inclusion of the NPs.

It was agreed that it would be advisable for each PC to seek legal opinion from the Yorkshire Local Councils Association on where the balance currently lies between the status of their respective emerging NPs and clause 185. This opinion could then inform a request to CDC (Spatial planning sub-committee?) on when, after 17th May, it would take the NP content into its emerging LP (i.e. before or after its formal consultation planned for September 2016).

Both confirmed that their immediate task was to finalize their respective NPs and submit them to CDC with a request for a timely launch of the formal consultation stage.

It was agreed to maintain contact and meet again as appropriate.

Janet Turner passed over to the group to read the correspondence sent to YLCA asking for their advice. Edward Bartle read out the letter send to YLCA and Janet Turner confirmed she had pulled together all the information they have requested to send to the YLCA Solicitor.

Edward Bartle told the meeting that an email setting out the amendments should be sent from the Parish Council to Louise Kirkup, advising her that these are the only amendments

we can think of and that once these amendments have been made, the plan can go to the Parish Council Meeting on Monday the 13 June 2016 and presumably passed and then we can submit it on the 14th June 2016.

6. AOB:

Edward Bartle advised the meeting that once the Plan has been submitted we need to arrange a meeting with CDC. Cllr Janet Turner suggested that we now need to contact Louise Kirkup and ask for another invoice to be prepared.

7. Date of next meeting: TBA

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.