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Neighbourhood Plan Working Party Meeting Held virtually via Zoom on Wednesday 14 June 2023 at 6.30pm

Attendees Cllrs: Hugh Patterson (HP), Maggie Fenton (MF), Charles Mackonochie (CM), Trevor Sawyer (TS)

Hilary Andrews (HA), Peter Derbyshire (PD), Stewart Gledhill (SG)

Alison Eardley (AE).

Chair Hugh Patterson (HP)
Minutes Louise Goldsmith (Clerk)

Minutes:

	Agenda Item	Action by
1	Apologies for absence: An apology for absence was received from Robert Assirati (RA), Lynne Assirati (LA), David Parrish(DP) and Geoff Turner (GT) and their reasons for absence were accepted.	
2	Approval of Minutes: The minutes of meeting held on the 11 April 2023 were approved and signed as a true and accurate record.	НР
3	Matters Arising: None to consider.	
4.	Local Plan Examination - to receive an update HP reported that the consultants working for TWBC have not yet completed their research so a report to Cabinet has been postponed to August 2023. HP advised that it is likely that an Extraordinary Meeting for Full Council will be held in September 2023 to discuss any recommendations rather than wait until the planned October meeting. It is expected that the Local Plan will now cover a shorter time period.	
5.	Regulation 14 Consultation AE presented a table with all the comments received from the Regulation 14 consultation and advised that these need to be incorporated into the draft Neighbourhood Plan where appropriate. AE advised that responses were received from 20 sources and 47 questionnaires were completed. AE advised that the comments will also be incorporated into the consultation statement and will be publicly accessible at the Regulation 16 Examination stage. The next step will be to submit the consultation statement, the final plan and all supporting documents to TWBC for checking. At Regulation 16 an Independent Examiner will be sent a copy of the submitted Neighbourhood Plan and supporting information and data. The Examiner will visit the parish and could, though unusual, request a Hearing.	
	The working group discussed some of the points highlighted by AE in the table.	



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	In general, the working group agreed with comments from both Capel Greenbelt Protection Society and Save Capel that saving the greenbelt is a priority and that references to this should be boosted. It was also agreed to not put too much emphasis on the emerging Local Plan and to remove any references to 'garden city' and refer to them as neighbourhood plan development principles. It was also agreed to remove the proposed allocations from the map.	
	Members of the group also disagreed with comments from Crest Nicholson that the proposed housing to the north west of Paddock Wood should reflect the character of Paddock Wood. Members of the group agreed that any new housing in this area should be more in keeping with rural Capel than urban Paddock Wood.	
	MF agreed to check the Kent Historic Environment Records to see if Tudeley Brook Farm is listed as an historic farmstead. It was agreed that if it is still listed it should be kept in the plan as NDHA.	MF
	AE agreed to consolidate the comments on the areas discussed and to update the table and recirculate. It was agreed that members of the group should send any further comments to AE directly, focussing on areas of the plan they had written.	ALL
6.	Next Steps: Nothing additional.	
7.	AOB Nothing additional.	
8.	Next Meeting to be held virtually: Tuesday 11 July at 6.30pm	

Minutes Approved	 Name (Print)
	 Signature
	 Position
	 Date