**Neighbourhood Plan Working Party Meeting, by Zoom**

**10.30am on Tuesday 11th January 2022**

**Minutes**

**Those in attendance: R. Hughes, M. Inskip, I. Poole, B. Harker, L. Dupré, B Watson

Absent: C. Stevens, S. Partington**

1. **Review of Additional Policy Options Paper**Previous Action: Ian Poole to review the existing draft Neighbourhood Plan policies and identify any further additions that the working party could consider

Ian had circulated his Additional Policy Options Paper, capturing his thoughts on policies to address climate change based on the ideas from the draft Central Lincolnshire Local Plan and working party members had given feedback via an online survey. **Reducing Energy Consumption – Residential Development**The working party agreed that they would like a policy that addresses aspects of this objective but to be aware there is a risk this would be rejected an examination.

Action: Ian to draft a policy to reduce energy consumption in residential development

**Renewable Energy**It was agreed we want to avoid solar farms on higher grade agricultural land and large scale development, but to propose a policy in favour of small scale solar avoiding grade 1 and 2 agricultural land.

Action: Ian to draft a policy in favour of small scale solar avoiding grade 1 and 2 agricultural land

**Embodied Carbon**It was agreed that it would be difficult to devise a policy on embodied carbon and it may be overtaken by new Building Regulations in a few years’ time.

**Wider Energy Infrastructure**It was agreed this is better addressed at district level. There may be an opportunity to have policy for new development on Elean Business Park for reducing energy consumption and generating renewable energy.

Action: Ian to consider a draft for reducing energy consumption and potential generation of renewable energy associated with new development on Elean Business Park **Electric Vehicle Charging**This is already addressed for residential development in the existing proposed policies. Ian to investigate a standard for non-residential parking.

Action: Ian to draft a policy for the provision of EV charging for non-residential development **Carbon Sinks**Agreed that the main focus would be conserve peat which could potentially be built into general plan policies.

Action: Ian to build something into general policies to conserve peat **Resilient and Adaptable Design**Action: Ian will investigate whether other Neighbourhood Plans have relevant policies

1. **Plan Progress**

Ian is now writing the body of the plan with the text to support the policies. He is aiming to circulate a first draft within about two weeks, however he first of all needs to work on the appraisals for SUT6, then complete the draft plan.

Ian is also looking to the inclusion of protected views of the village in the draft document. He has created a first set of proposals in the draft for review.

Action: All working party members to feedback on protected views by email

Action: Ian Poole to circulate the initial draft of the updated Neighbourhood Plan for review

At the next meeting, the working party will aim to have read and to feed back on the draft Neighbourhood Plan document.

**Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 1 February at 9am by Zoom**