

## **Marden Parish Council**

Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group Meeting on  
Wednesday 14 January 2015 at 19.30 in the Community Centre

### **Notes of the Meeting**

**Present:** David Bennett (Chairman), Michael Parkes, Robin Brook, Arthur Fraser, John Roberts, Sandra Gladwyn and Bill Wright.

**In attendance:** Alison Sutton, Parish Clerk and 2 members of public

1. **Apologies** – Jon Stannard.

2. **Preliminary analysis of Open Event responses** –

The document was discussed. For statistical accuracy, when a respondent only ranked some not all of the sites, the rest of the sites were marked equally. Eg. 1, 2, 3 rankings given, other two sites both ranked 4. Totals given both with equal rankings allocated as required and with only the rankings given. In a few cases respondents ranked 2-3 sites equally and these rankings were not amended.

The totals for sites being ranked 1 show that in 3 cases a respondent ranked two sites equal 1 and these rankings were not changed.

3. **Further analysis** –

It was agreed to undertake a thematic analysis. Some themes were agreed as follows: concerns about roads; concerns about traffic; need for medical/dental services; need for other services (broadband/ sewerage/water; concern about school capacity; need for a village centre; no need for a village centre; need for reduced housing levels; need for affordable housing/started homes; use of brownfield sites; more street lighting required; no more street lighting required; need for more public transport; need for community centre/hall; develop smaller sites; need for warden/sheltered housing; need for more footpaths/cycleways; need for a village pub.

It was agreed the Clerk will check thematic analysis and subdivide some themes if suitable.

Also agreed the Clerk will draft a report of the Open Events to be considered at the next meeting.

4. **Preliminary allocation of sites** –

To be considered next meeting. Some discussion about whether can allocate and specify a density and/or maximum number on a site; whether sites are allocated as drawn/submitted or can be amended to make smaller; whether phasing can be specified.

Clerk asked to find out from Kirkwells if possible for next meeting.

5. **Open forum** – None

6. **Date of next meeting** – Monday 19 January at 19.30 in the Community Centre.

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