

Marden Parish Council

Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group Meeting on
Thursday 5 April 2018 at 18.30 in Community Centre

Notes of meeting

Present: David Bennett, Arthur Fraser, John Roberts and Bill Wright

In attendance: Parish Clerk Alison Sutton

1. **Apologies** – Robin Brook and Sandra Gladwyn.

2. **Open forum** – None.

3. **Consideration of NPPF revision text and draft response** –

Response from Sam Banks to question re made NDPs more than 2 yrs old when Local Planning Authority has 3 yr supply was considered. Clerk asked to make further enquiries as question not addressed fully; and to suggest meeting of representatives from all made NDP parishes to send corporate response.

The following response to the NPPF consultation was agreed:

Much time and funding has been spent by Marden Parish Council and the local community to achieve a made Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). The PC believes that it does not conflict with the original or proposed revisions to the NPPF.

However, para 14 must be changed so that a made NDP is the local policy during the lifetime of the county Strategic Plan.

Herefordshire is one of the most rural counties in the UK with a low population density and it is inconceivable that any volume of development will be sustainable given the lack of services and employment in the county.

As Sam Banks suggested period of monitoring, Clerk will get figures of where parish is now in relation to minimum numbers in NDP.

4. **Date of next meeting** – No further meeting planned at this point.

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