

Joint Working Group for Crossways and Moreton - Fifth Meeting

5 December 2017 – County Hall, Dorchester

Minutes

Attendees:

Trevor Badley (TB) – DCC Minerals
Tracy Binson (TrB) – Moreton Parish Council
Andrew Brewer - Crossways Parish Council
Cherry Brooks (CB) – PDC councillor
Nigel Bundy (NB) (Chair) – WDDC councillor
Mike Garrity (MG) – DCC Planning
Nick Ireland – DCC councillor
Anna Lee (AL) – PDC Planning
Alan Thacker (AT) – WDDC councillor
Trevor Warrick (TW) – WDDC Planning
Peter Wharf (PW) (Vice-Chairman) – PDC and DCC councillor

1. Apologies

Laura Miller (PDC councillor).

2. Minutes of last meeting (12 June 2017) and any matters arising

The minutes were agreed.

3. Updates of Local Plan progress

• Purbeck District Council (Anna Lee)

AL explained that PDC was planning to run an additional consultation, focussing on housing sites, starting in late January 2018. The consultation would be informed by a range of updated evidence, including an Environmental and Infrastructure Capacity Study which identified the most and least constrained areas of the district. The results of the consultation would help inform the final draft of the Purbeck Local Plan Review.

• Dorset County Council (Trevor Badley)

TB provided an update on the publication of the Draft Minerals Sites Plan and the Draft Waste Plan. Both plans were currently published for consultation. TB briefed the Working Group on the content of both plans.

Cllr Bundy asked about likely timescales for minerals extraction at the three sites around Moreton. TB explained that the timing would be in the hands of the operator, but broad timescales were likely to be from 2021 onwards.

Cllr Bundy and Cllr Thacker both raised concerns about the cumulative impacts of development in the Moreton / Crossways area. Investment is needed in the area if Moreton / Crossways / Woodsford are to support significant development.

- West Dorset District Council (Trevor Warrick)

TW provided an update on the West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland Local Plan Review. The Councils were aiming to run a public consultation on 'preferred options' for the plan during the summer of 2018. Various site options were being considered, including sites around Crossways.

4. Any other business

The Working Group discussed the current consultation by South West Trains on potential changes to the timetable. It was agreed that the Working Group should submit a response to the consultation.

Action: Cllr Bundy to submit a response to the South West Trains consultation on behalf of the Working Party, using the West Dorset response as a starting point.

5. Date of Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting should take place in April, with a date to be arranged in due course.

Action: PDC to arrange next meeting date in April.