

MINUTES 9

Tuesday 10th January 1.30pm
Charing Parish Hall

1.	Apologies: Jane Emblem Chris Prinn N Blunt In attendance: Cllrs H Billot, J Leyland, CB Smith T Reed S L Crawley
2.	Matters Arising: There were none
3.	Population Estimates: JL produced population estimates which confirmed what ABC had advised. According to ABC this will put pressure on 2 nd tier towns (Tenterden, Ham Street, Wye and Charing). Although more housing has been proposed by Charing than in the current draft local plan, it is uncertain if this is sufficient to meet changing requirements
4.	Housing Sites: It was agreed that we do not need more sites. A discussion took place concerning small sites versus larger especially in regard to the recent Wheler Trust plans. Small sites have been welcomed in the community engagement programme so far and it was agreed to wait until the questionnaire has been completed before further discussion. It was agreed to re-visit all sites on the dotocracy in order to take views on future requirements
5.	Review on draft Questionnaire: Agreed that Jim Boot should be asked to review and comment on the draft questionnaire before testing
6.	Housing Research Task Group: Agreed that the Task Group should be asked to push on with its report
7.	Parking: It was suggested to relocate the Pickets Play Area to the spare land immediately to the North (owned by the school but not needed) and convert the play area to a car park. The Business Traders Group (SL Crawley and Elizabeth Tweed) are to pick this up
8.	Heritage and Character Assessment: Agreed that this should be undertaken by AECOM with government funding
9.	Strategic Environmental Assessment: Agreed that this should be discussed with ABC
10.	AOB: There was none
11.	Date of Next Meeting: None agreed