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MINUTES OF TADCASTER NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN - STEERING GROUP MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 23 OCTOBER 2023 12.00PM AT THE ARK TADCASTER

PRESENT:	CHAIRMAN	D Gluck
	STEERING GROUP	D Bowgett, S Cobb, J Firth, F Greig,
	CONSULTANT	M Dando
	DEPUTY CLERK	J Mottershead
	OTHERS	P Tunney

NDP167 Apologies - To receive, record and approve apologies for absence – K Poskitt & D Mackay.

NDP168 Welcome/Intros - None

NDP169 Declaration of Interest - To receive and record declarations of interest at this point or at any other point on the agenda – None.

NDP170 Minutes – Members moved minutes of 19 June 2023 which had been previously approved by group members and at Council meeting 19 June 2023.

NDP171 Matters Arising –

- M Dando reported he had started the collation of Regulation 14 Consultation comments, due to be completed by early December 2023.

J Firth reported that there had been delays in Consultation leaflet circulation causing some residents to miss the first Drop-in Session.

M Dando reported that Drop – in sessions were a bonus and not obligatory.

D Gluck reported that delivery of the leaflets had been GPR Tracked.

- The meeting planned with the head of North Yorkshire Council Planning had been cancelled. Instead a meeting with an NYC Planning Team was arranged for 9 November 2023.

NDP172 Local Plan – Position update – K Poskitt sent a members update received from North Yorkshire Council prior to the meeting as follows: -

"I understand that the delays to the Local Plan have been frustrating for residents, however additional work has been necessary to address a number of outstanding issues raised through the consultation on the Publication version of the plan. I would like to reassure you that officers are prioritising work to finalise the position and to firm up next steps and timescales. Once we have firm timescales, Officers would be happy to provide you with a briefing. We hope to be able to do so within the next few weeks but will be in touch as soon as we are in a position to do so.

D Bowgett reported that there was no Local Plan agenda item on the Executive Board meeting for the coming week.

NDP173 Options – Members discussed the following Options Paper: -

**DISCUSSION PAPER REGARDING UNCERTAINTIES WITH THE SELBY DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN AND THE
IMPACT OF THIS UPON SUBMISSION OF OUR NDP TO NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL**

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DG/MD had a meeting to discuss the above on 13/10/23, with a view to providing the Steering Group with a paper setting out options and to gain advice on the preferred way ahead. This paper sets out what we should be doing now and how we can respond to developments with the Local Plan.

1. [redacted] have now completed our Regulation 14 consultation and MD will shortly be undertaking analysis of the responses. This will then come back to the Steering Group to consider modifications to policies at a future meeting – December.

2. 6 of the 8 policy areas we have developed are more or less independent of the Local Plan's draft policies (Built Environment, Community Facilities, Green Environment, Economic Development, Town Centre, Traffic and Transport).

3. However, 2 policy areas (Housing, London Road) are in direct relation to Local Plan policies.

4. Therefore, until we know with certainty how the Local Plan will progress, it would be unwise to undertake analysis of these 2 policy areas.

5. What we can do now is progress our Plan towards a submission version, with a view to finalisation (in respect of Housing and London Road) and submission to NYC as soon as the Local Plan situation becomes clear. It should be noted that the grant we have from Locality needs to be expended in full by that point otherwise we will have to return the underspend with no guarantee that it will be available again in the new financial year.

Action

a. Undertake analysis of the 6 policy areas now with a view to preparing a modified Plan ready for TTC consideration in February 2024.

b. If the Local Plan is signed off by NYC and goes forward for Examination early in the new year, we will undertake the remainder of the analysis in order to modify the 2 other policy areas.

c. If there is continued uncertainty or delay of the Local Plan, MD will draft policies in relation to Housing and London Road which are more generic but supportive of future development, which could include reference to sites, to design, to minimum numbers of new homes etc.

d. *An alternative should the Local Plan be indefinitely delayed or abandoned could be that the NDP effectively allocates sites under Housing and London Road and adopts the NY Evidence Base to support these allocations. However, that option would be potentially very controversial for Councillors, difficult to achieve without a Local Plan and would without doubt lead to considerable delay in us delivering our Plan.*

Recommendations

The NDP Steering Group is asked to take actions a-c forward now and report this back to Full Council at their next meeting for endorsement.

RESOLVED –

- **Members agreed to take actions a-c as recommended above to the next appropriate Council meeting.**

- **Members to discuss the above options with the NYC Planning Team meeting on 9/11/23.**

NDP174 Next Steps –

M Dando – to complete collating Reg 14 Consultation comments and bring back to the next Steering Group meeting. Comments relating to Housing & London Road to be discussed at a later date and following the above NYC Local Plan decisions.

NDP175 Any Other Business –

Members discussed contacting a local business owner to ask for properties in the town to be restored.

The possibilities of the compulsory purchase of derelict buildings in the town were discussed.

M Dando reported that the Town Council had no powers for the above.

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P Tunney felt that unless a local landowner had the go ahead through the Local Plan for the development of the Central Area Car Park then all plans would be off the table.

D Gluck reported that unless NYC Local Plan were confident with Selby Local Plan Policies and the Central Area Car Park could not be built on the possibilities of the plan going ahead was minimal.

Members agreed that questions relating to the Local Plan could be discussed at the NYC Planning Team meeting on 9/11/23.

RESOLVED – To raise the suggestion for the Council to write to the local landowner to ask for derelict properties in the town to be renovated, to the next appropriate Council meeting.

NDP176 Date of future meetings/timetable – December 6 & 18 2023, 12.00pm, The Ark.