

**Report to** : **Barnham and Eastergate Parish Council Planning Committee**

**Title of Report** : **Neighbourhood Plan Update**

**Purpose of Report** : **To provide an update in respect of the Neighbourhood Plan**

**Date of Report** : **15th July 2020**

### **Draft Revised Neighbourhood Plan**

The Plan is taking shape and has been amended to take into account comments made by the Team. Work is ongoing to complete the evidence base and the maps and appendices.

### **Moving to Regulation 14 consultation**

The Plan should be ready to be put out to consultation by mid September 2020. The current restrictions make holding open events tricky. It is proposed that the following actions are undertaken:

- a. Contact the developers agents for the three sites to let them know that their sites have been put forward for further consideration and asking them to provide plans that can be used for consultation.
- b. Creating an online survey that can be used to gather comments from the public.
- c. Seeking grant funding to allow for a document introducing the survey to be posted to every home setting out the changes to the Plan and seeking comments.
- d. Facilitating open public events at the two Community Halls to gather comments in compliance with Government rules on social distancing.
- e. It is proposed that the consultation work will commence in mid September 2020.

### **Recommendations**

It is recommended that:

1. the Committee approve the attached draft letter to be sent to the developers agents.
2. the Committee endorse the approach outlined for the Reg 14 consultation process and timetable.

**Draft letter to developers agents of the the two sites in Fontwell Avenue and The Square.**

Dear xxx

**Re: Barnham and Eastergate Neighbourhood Plan - Call for Sites**

Thank you for your response to the Call for Sites process. I apologise for the delay in responding.

The revised Neighbourhood Plan is progressing and a decision has been made to take the site you submitted onto the next phase of consultation. I am sure you are aware that this decision does not in any way imply approval or support for your site but does allow the public consultation to proceed.

It is proposed that a round of consultation will commence in September 2020 and the Parish Council would like to offer you the opportunity to provide plans showing indicative layouts and elevations for display to the residents. Obviously the more detail that is provided, the easier it is for the residents to understand what you are proposing.

Plans should be submitted electronically to the Clerk at [clerk@barnhamandeastergate-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@barnhamandeastergate-pc.gov.uk) by the end of August 2020

Yours