

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

Agenda for Meeting of Steering Committee at 2.00. pm on Wednesday 4TH March 2026 at the Library, Ash Road, Hartley.

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interests {if any}**
- 3. Adoption of Minutes of the meeting held on 14th January 2026 (copy attached APPENDIX A)**
- 4. Review of progress with the Plan.**

Copies of the current draft Neighbourhood Plan were provided to the Council for formal approval.

Subsequently we received a letter from Sevenoaks DC listing a number of informal comments on the draft Plan, which, after consultation with Derek Stebbing, our Planning Consultant, we deferred the Reg 14 Consultations in order to respond to those comments. With advice from Derek Stebbing a sub group consisting of myself Mark and Gary have worked through those comments and prepared a response to Sevenoaks. The response together with two additional issues requiring clarification has now been cleared by Derek and will be sent to Sevenoaks in reply to their informal comments.

A copy of our response to Derek Stebbing was sent to you just before 13.00 hours on the 25th February

- 5. Forward Programme**

The position has been reached where we can go forward with the Reg 14 Consultations and a provisional timetable is attached as **Appendix B**. Volunteers are required to undertake many of the roles.
- 6. Local Green Spaces.** Notices have been sent to land owners whose property is included in the draft plan as a Local Green Space and so

far we have had one objection (**see attached Appendix C**) from the owner's of Bramblings Care Home and a comment from the New Ash Green Residents Association who have leased Northfield to Ash and Hartley Parish Councils and we have sent the two Parishes formal notices of designation.

Members views will be invited.

7. Any other business

8. Date of Next Meeting

Chris Alford, Chairman of the Steering Group