

Keyworth Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee

Minutes of meeting

Meeting venue: 56 Ashley Road at 10am 16th November with Nic Seller chairing and Kevin Fitzgerald, Tony Wells and Chris Kemp in attendance.

1. Response to the RBC Local plan Part 2 Housing consultation

The committee noted the apparently good attendance at the RBC consultation event on 13th November.

The committee welcomes the fact that that the RBC plans have not supported the original draft NP in which 43.1 Hectares were allocated for housing.

It was agreed that the following response to the consultation be sent to Richard Mapletoft at RBC on behalf of the Advisory Committee.

On behalf of the Keyworth Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee I write with comments on the Local Plan Part 2 housing allocation consultation.

The committee is disappointed that the suggested sites in the Keyworth NP have been revised, in particular the addition of the site to the south of Bunny Lane.

The committee recognises that RBC is in a challenging position in having to significantly increase the allocations to many settlements in the borough and understands that the overall figure for Keyworth (580 homes) does represent a fair allocation under the circumstances.

The committee also notes that the total amount of land being proposed for removal from the Green Belt is 34.3 Hectares and this only represents a small increase over the 31.5 proposed in the KPC approved Neighbourhood Plan.

The committee awaits with interest the final decisions of RBC regarding housing sites once the consultation is complete.

We now look forward to the completion of the independent examination of the Keyworth NP leading to the public referendum in 2018.

Yours sincerely

*Cllr Nic Seller
Chair, Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee*

2. Access to the Platt Lane Employment site. (Site Ref 543)

Following comments concerning the access to this proposed employment site from a member of the public the committee notes that this issue was addressed by RBC in the SHLAA processes in 2011 and subsequent revisions. RBC concluded that there were no constraints upon access to the site. This can be in published RBC documents.

3. Response to Plumtree PC letter

It was agreed to send a short response as below...

Thank you for sending Keyworth Parish Council a copy of your response to the Keyworth Neighbourhood Plan consultation. Your letter has been made available to all KPC councillors and it was noted at the Full Council meeting on 6th November. Whilst the response was too late for the consultation which was organised by Rushcliffe Borough Council I would remind you that new housing allocations for Rushcliffe are currently being consulted by RBC upon so you may wish to comment on those plans before it closes on 27th November.

Yours etc..

*Cllr Nic Seller
Chair, Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee*

4. Comments regarding housing allocations beyond 2028

The committee is concerned that the Nottingham conurbation may swamp Keyworth in the longer term. In respect the committee feels that changes to the Green Belt after the Local Plan Part 2 developments be vigorously resisted.

5. Request for meeting from Miller Homes

The committee agreed to make arrangements for an informal meeting with Miller Homes and their planning consultants (Hunter Page) to share thoughts upon the development of the Platt Lane/Station Road site. The meeting will not take place until after the next Full Council meeting on 11th December.

6. Preparation for the referendum

The committee believes that it will be essential for KPC to fully promote the NP in advance of the referendum to minimise the risk that Keyworth will be thrown to the whims of developers in the event that the NP is not supported by the community. In this respect we request the council to authorise a modest publicity/canvassing budget for 2018. We also believe that canvassing local organisations that will benefit from the NP will also be important. (e.g. Schools, businesses etc.)

7. AOB

None.

Meeting closed at 11.05am