

MINUTES of the SPECIAL meeting of Kenn Parish Council on Tuesday, 4 December 2018 held in the New Church Room, Kenn Street, Kenn. Meeting commenced at 19:30 and concluded at 20.30.

PRESENT: Cllrs S Naish (Chairman), S Brain, W Bessant, N Breeden, J-P Humberstone, H Staples
Clerk Eleanor Wade

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| 19:30 Informal Business | none | 19:30 Formal Business |
| 18/134 Apologies for Absence | none | |
| 18/135 Declarations of Interest | none | |

18/136 North Somerset Local Plan 2036

The North Somerset Local Plan is a planning policy document which identifies where new housing, jobs, and infrastructure such as roads, schools, parks and health services will be built over the next 20 years. About 25,000 new homes are needed by 2036. Just under 14,000 are already earmarked, so just over 11,000 still need to be allocated. Two new villages and extensions to others are proposed. Brownfield land will be used for new houses and apartments. Sites for a further 1,000 houses will also need to be found elsewhere in North Somerset.

The purpose of the Issues and Options document is to identify the issues which need to be addressed, receive initial feedback on proposed alternatives. It is not a draft plan and does not contain detailed policies or site allocations. Detailed draft policies will be consulted upon later.

- **Settlement Hierarchy** – A settlement hierarchy is a way of categorising an area’s settlements to recognise their different roles and functions. A hierarchy groups together those settlements that have similar characteristics.
 - Members recalled that Kenn is designated as an ‘Infill Village’ which are listed in Policy CS33, these are settlements where infilling may be acceptable within the settlement boundaries.

Resolved: To comment that as an in-fill village Kenn’s preference is **Option 1**

- **Settlement Boundaries** – Settlement boundaries defining the edge of a town or village in order to direct development to those locations (‘the village fence’.) A settlement boundary prevents sprawl and concentrates development within settlements in a form which is appropriate to the scale and needs of that community. They also define the areas where housing policies apply. Land outside of settlement boundaries is classified as ‘countryside’ where different policies apply.
 - Members note that Kenn was listed in the section ‘Infill Village’

Resolved: To comment that Kenn’s preference is **Option 1** – local issues recently experienced has highlighted to Kenn that its preference is for the settlement boundary to stay the same as indicated in Option 1

- **Transport Corridor Studies & Transport Issues facing North Somerset to 2036**
Members considered the information provided of possible plans to create a link road and the various issued outlined. **Resolved:** No comments

- **Holiday Accommodation in the Countryside** – New permitted development rights in 2015 now require a review of policies DM45: The conversion or re-use of rural buildings to residential use and DM57: Conversion, reuse and new build for visitor accommodation in the countryside.

- The issues relating to a holiday park within the Kenn Parish Boundary were recalled.

Resolved: To comment that existing licensed holiday park owners who are permitting their holiday home to become permanent residences, should not be able to circumvent the planning process and have existing enforcement notices disregarded.

18/137 Notice of road closure of Nailsea Wall for approximately 1 week – for continued work by Gigaclear Limited to undertake installation of fibre optic equipment. **Noted**

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

Signed by the Chairman

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