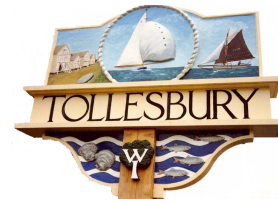


# TOLLESBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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Notes of the meeting of Tollesbury Neighbourhood Plan Committee held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017 commencing at 7.35pm.

**Present:** David Hillyer (DH), Roger Lankester (RL), Simon Lewington (SL), Gail Norton (GN), Sue Palmer (SP) Simon Plater (Chairman)

**Admin:** Michelle Curtis (MC)

Matthew Byatt, Rob Crees, Simon Plater, Steve O'Donnell, Claire Slodzik and Stevan Slodzik are members of Tollesbury Parish Council.

Andrew St Joseph is a District Councillor – Maldon District Council.

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The meeting opened at 7.35pm.

There were 7 members of the public present including Kate Garnett, Headteacher Tollesbury School and Andrew Gilbert, School Governor Tollesbury School.

## 1. Apologies for Absence

There were apologies for absence from Matthew Byatt, Rob Crees, Claire Slodzik and Steve Slodzik.

## 2. Marine

### a) Draft Policies

A copy of the draft policies for the marine activities and area by the waterfront discussed at the meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were distributed.

The Chairman advised should the Committee members have any comments or suggestions for the wording they should forward them to the Clerk.

### b) Proposal from Mr Wilson regarding dredging

The proposal from Mr Wilson was received and noted.

The Chairman advised the proposal were the personal thoughts of Mr Wilson and has not been adopted by the Committee.

The Chairman explained that it was a general consensus of opinion that unless some silt dredging/removal were carried out within the next few years, this could cause major issues for the sailing community.

The Chairman advised a Committee has been formed with the interested Stakeholders to take the Tollesbury Harbour Project forward.

### 3. **Neighbourhood Plan – Schools, Doctors and Rural Areas**

The Chairman stated, as Steve Slodzik and Claire Slodzik were now present at the meeting, the discussion regarding Rural Areas would be held at a future meeting.

As the government controlled both schools and doctors, the Committee were limited with the policies and control on these areas.

Kate Garnett, Headteacher for Tollesbury School, and Andrew Gilbert, School Governor reported the following:

- The school has the capacity for 220 students, at the moment there are 202 pupils, there are 18 spaces but this depends on the intake per year group.
- The new admissions (Sept 2017) there were 8 students who were unable to get a place in the school, of which 3 lived in the village, the other 5 were from neighbouring villages but had siblings in the school.
- Due to the location of Tollesbury, it is difficult to recruit new teachers.
- As Tolleshunt D'Arcy is undersubscribed, it is difficult for Tollesbury School to get funding.
- The intake criteria had changed to offer the children of the village a better opportunity to get admission into Tollesbury School.

The Committee discussed various ideas to expand the existing school building and would be in support of any building or a permanent building on the current site.

Kate Garnett and Andrew Gilbert stated any additional building will reduce the playground and it was important that any increase in numbers per class did not affect the other students.

The Committee agreed the following draft policies:

#### **POLICY C1**

*Tollesbury Parish Council wish to support Tollesbury School and would consider any future development to replace temporary buildings to improve quality of the school premises*

#### **POLICY C2**

*Early years care facilities should be provided with the best locations being close to the primary school or any new housing development.*

SL and SP reported that the doctor/patient ratio is 1 doctor for every 1,500 patients. Tollesbury surgery currently has 4,000 patients with 2 doctors.

#### **POLICY C3**

*To encourage and maintain the Doctors surgery to ensure full provision within the local practice to serve all the villagers.*

### 4. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee would be held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017 commencing at 7.30pm to discuss Housing.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

