

## **NP REPORT TO CBPC MEETING ON 6TH DECEMBER 2021**

### **1. SEA SCOPING**

- a. We have received the draft scoping report from AECOM and have sent back our comments following a review. They have also sent it to various other bodies for review including Dorset Council, Natural England, Historical England and the Dorset AONB Partnership. They have until the 4th January 2022 to carry out a review.

### **2. RE-RUN OF THE OPTIONS CONSULTATION SURVEY**

- a. Before we invite the community in Portesham to respond to the revised survey, we need to receive the updated version of the AECOM report following their site appraisal of the proposed sites for affordable housing in Fleet. Their initial view following a desk based assessment was that the sites were unsuitable. At the time of writing we still expect to receive their report by the 3rd December.
- b. Following discussions with the Landowners of the plot in Portesham, they have stated their preference for the site to be used for a mixture of Affordable Housing and Market Value homes. The Call for Sites documentation has been modified to reflect this.

### **3. DRAFTING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

- a. Work has been ongoing in previous months on drafting the overall plan and we now have a version which can be used to kick-off the review process. A series of 3 review meetings has been set up between now and Christmas to allow comments and discussion on the content.

### **4. AFFORDABLE HOMES FEASIBILITY STUDY**

- a. Paul Derrien, who is the Housing Enabling Team Leader at Dorset Council came to the NPSG Meeting in November and spoke about Affordable Housing and Community Land Trusts. It was a very informative session and Paul has offered to help us going forward. His advice was that a CLT takes a couple of years to set up and is probably best done in partnership with a Housing Association. Work on setting up a CLT could be started in advance of having a specific plot available.
- b. An exploratory meeting has been set up on the 10<sup>th</sup> December with one of the Directors from Magna Housing.

### **5. BUSINESS SURVEY NO2**

- a. The second Business Survey was sent out in early November to over 40 businesses in CBPC, with a closing date of 29/11/21. 15 responses were received but no analysis has yet been carried out. The main purpose of the survey was to establish the impact of COVID-19 on local businesses.

### **6. NPSG MEMBERSHIP**

- a. One of the Portesham members of the SG has resigned since they are moving out of the area, which leaves us very short of effort on the group. We are keen to get other members of the community involved. There is still much to do!

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