Minutes of the Pool-in-Wharfedale Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting Monday 7 September 2015

In attendance:

Joanna Rowling (Chair), Alex Ruppertsberg, Pat Lazenby, Gavin Barlow, Cllr Barry Anderson & John Porter

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Ailsa Bearpark, Nic Griffin & Jeremy Griffin

Minutes of the previous meeting;

The minutes were received and agreed with the following amendments;

- Correct spelling of Alexa's surname Rupertsberg
- Item 1: Jean and not Nic attended the ONW Liaison Workshop with Alexa
- Item 6: Third sentence should read It is planned to repeat the process etc

Matters arising:

JP stated that he had researched transport consultants. - all local transport consultants appeared to be too large to be appropriate to this committee. However the University of Leeds had a Department specialising in Transport & Environment - details were passed to Alexa.

Alexa would also contact two people who showed interest in the original survey.

Barry thought the best authority to contact re transportation in and aroung Pool would be Metro (West Yorkshire Combined Authority) - Barry would provide contact names.

Main meeting:

Discussions during the remainder of the meeting concentrated on whether the next event should be on transport or housing. Barry informed the meeting of the imminent consultation meeting surrounding the proposed LB Airport expansion and how it could possibly impact on Pool; transport, housing, environment, etc.

The main elements of the proposal were:

- A doubling of passenger numbers over the next 15 years
- The need to expand warehousing and office space
- The land earmarked for this expansion is north of the present airport (Coney Island)
- The proposed railway station
- Proposed improve road access from the A65 and the A658 (Bradford Knaresborough)
- Requirement for executive housing in the vicinity

The meeting agreed after some discussion to promote the Housing event ahead of the transport event in view of the time needed to disseminate all the available information re the LBA proposals and to see how it may affect the Neighbourhood Plan.

Barry stated he had sent out several documents pertaining to the LBA proposals to all members of the steering group.

Barry will be attending next week's PPC meeting and will propose organising a joint NW Area Councillors & PPC meeting (PNSG to attend) in the Village Hall open to residents to discuss the possible impact of the LBA proposals.

Pat asked that the road sign adjacent to the Shell Garage directing traffic from Otley through the village to the A1(M) be altered directing traffic towards Huby. Barry agreed to look into this.

Date of next meeting:

Monday 5 October 2015

Apologies: Cllr Barry Anderson