

Botley Neighbourhood Plan Committee (BNPC)
Report to Botley Parish Council (BPC) meeting 12 February 2019

Meeting of the BNPC, 16 January 2019

- 3 Councillors and 1 non-Councillor were present
- Arrangements for the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) training session, given by Planet, on 26 January 2019 were confirmed
- Locality had agreed to provide a grant of £4469 from the total grant available of £9000, which must be used by 31 March 2019 or returned. A further application for the balance of the grant will be made for the period 01 April 2019 to 31 March 2020
- The Committee remains very concerned about our inability to attract non-Councillors Botley residents to join the BNPC
- The meeting with the Eastleigh Borough Council Planning Department has been arranged for 28 January 2019 and the draft topics for discussion were considered. Our nominated contact at EBC is Warren Jackson-Hookins, a Planning Policy Specialist
- Peter Kemp has joined the Housing and Transport Working Groups (WGs)
- All WGs are being encouraged to produce a first draft of their Working Paper by 20 March 2019
- The Botley SHLAA review was discussed and the meeting agreed to the 3 small sites that had been identified for potential future housing development
- The next meeting of the BNPC will be on 20 February 2019

Progress since the BNPC meeting

- After advice from Tony Charles on the Botley SHLAA review it was agreed that the three small sites identified for potential future housing development should be withdrawn and that this would not weaken the NP during independent examination. All involved in the original SHLAA review and discussion at the BNPC were in agreement with this decision and the revised review uploaded to the NP web page (Housing – B SHLAA assessment PP 2019 v2)
- The Planet training session on 26 January 2019 was very successful. 7 Councillors and 3 non-Councillors participated. Liz Bourne and Becky Hopkinson led a discussion covering a wide aspect of topics related to successful Neighbourhood Planning. The flip charts and handouts have been uploaded to the NP web page (Other Documents – NP training Planet 26/01/2019)
- On 28 January 2019 David Weeden, Colin Mercer, Graham Hunter and Tony Charles attended the meeting at EBC with Warren Jackson-Hookins and Julia Birt. Within the resources available EBC are happy to support our developing a NP. Some points on the Agenda were fully discussed and for others continuing work via email would be undertaken. The Agenda and the notes of the meeting have been uploaded to the NP web page (Other Documents – EBC meeting A 190128 and EBC meeting N 190128)
- We have completed the Expression of Interest Form for a Locality technical package to perform a Botley specific Housing Need Assessment

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Chairman BNPC
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