Approved

BECKINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
STEERING GROUP MINUTES
Tuesday 2 September 2025
20 Frome Road, Beckington

Present:

Ben Richards (BR), Paula Fox (PF), Clive Winterbourne (CW)

Apologies for absence:

Debs Byrne (DB), Georgina Fletcher (GF), Jo Hole (JH), Laura Parry (LP), Alex Richards (AR)

1. **Apologies for absence and Introduction**

   Apologies for absence were noted and recorded.

   BR explained that the main focus remained getting to Regulation 14 with support from Locality/AECOM. Input from the LPA on housing allocation and the need for SEA/HRA screening was awaited.

2. **Minutes of last meetings (**17 June 2025, 11 August 2025)

   Minutes of the two meetings were approved for publication. ***Action: BR***.

3. **Actions arising from last meeting**

   Progress on draft Plan. (to be discussed at item 4)

   LPA Housing Allocation Planning Figure. (to be discussed at item 4)

   Request to LPA for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) screening. (to be discussed at item 4)

   Timeline for Regulation 14 submission. (to be discussed at item 4)

   Update for Parish Council Meeting on 9 Sep 2025. BR confirmed he would attend and update the PC.

   Updated Declarations of Interest. This remained ongoing.

4. **Ongoing/Future work and updates on progress**

   Discussions with Locality concerning:

   - *Reviewing draft Policies and SG Evidence Base.* This was now in progress with Locality.

- *How to proceed to Regulation 14*. Depending on feedback from Locality, the preference was to contract Dave Chapman to complete the draft NP, making best use of his current engagement and understanding of work completed so far.

Production of draft Plan and anticipated timeline. The aim remained to get to Regulation 14 as soon as possible.

Liaison with LPA:

- *Housing Allocation for Beckington*. A confirmed figure was required from the LPA.
- *Requirement for SEA and HRA screening*. This had been submitted. A reply was awaited from the LPA.
- *SG request for meeting to discuss progress*. As above.

Action: PF agreed to contact Andre Sestini at the LPA to seek clarity on their position.

5. **AOB**

It was agreed that an update for the October Network magazine should be produced.

Action: BR

6. **Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 7 October 2025, 7pm.