

# Great Horwood Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan

**Minutes of the 11th Meeting of the Great Horwood Neighbourhood Planning Team  
held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at 8pm at Old Timbers**  
(by kind invitation of John Gilbey)

**Present:**

John Gilbey (Chairman) (JG), Rita Jenkins(RJ), David Mayne (DM), David Saunders (DS), Jo Waggott (JW).

**1. Apologies:**

All present

**2. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2013.**

These were signed and approved without amendment.

**3. To review the draft Action Plan from Neil Homer.**

All members reviewed the Detailed Work Programme from Neil Homer. It was agreed to ask Neil Homer to give specific dates of meetings from January 2014 up to June 2014 and to indicate to GH NPT how to prepare/advise discussion points as each meeting evolves.

DS remarked that AVDC had notified the NPT in December 2012 that due to elections, our NPT Referendum should take place in April 2014, or else be delayed until January 2015. Neil Homer to be advised of this, and AVDC to be contacted to confirm whether the restriction still applies.

**ACTION JG/NH**

**4. To discuss PC sign-offs, as queried by Neil Homer**

It was agreed to ask Neil Homer to offer meetings with NPT 3 to 4 days before the Parish Council meetings, so that all Neighbourhood development issues could be raised for discussion/approval of the Parish Council members and PC sign offs to Neil Homer could be discussed/approved. Note : Parish Council Meetings take place on the second Monday of each month - but no meeting is scheduled for January 2014.

**ACTION JG/NH**

**5. To review all evidence and sketch out policy ideas for the next meeting with Neil Homer in January 2014.**

It was considered that Neil Homer should indicate specific dates for workshops with the community from January 2014 up to April 2014, in accordance with his proposal. The

key question to Neil would be that we wanted more information on how and when proposed consultations with the community would take place and the detailed work plan to be updated accordingly.

It was proposed that landowners bring forward their sites if they believed them viable. This was not supported by the NPT. The methodology of the NPT identifying potentially viable sites from the map and approaching the landowners was agreed by the majority. It was agreed to ask Neil Homer to review the current SHLAA assessment and give his input/advice about this to NPT members. It was agreed to discuss at the next meeting with Neil Homer the original SHLAA sites for suitability, and to ask Neil Homer to look at the current SHLAA sites (A-F), as well as to inform and discuss with Neil a potential new site, Site G, located on the Nash Road, on the left, going towards the A421. It was agreed to ask Neil Homer if the next meeting with him could include a local AVDC planning officer. We would also ask Neil Homer to visit all potential sites with NPT members as soon as possible.

DS mentioned that a development of 40 houses on one site might not comply with the current planning policy of AVDC. It was agreed that smaller scale of housing on various sites would be more in keeping with the rural aspect of the village.

DS to produce an up-to-date map of possible potential development sites for the team to view and discuss with Neil Homer.

**ACTION JG/NH/DS**

**6. As queried by Neil Homer, to discuss the SHLAA sites and consider any others that have not previously been considered.**

See above.

**7. To consider any suggestions from members as to possible additional appropriate persons who might be suitable to approach for co-option to the team.**

It was suggested whether anyone from Singleborough might be suitable to join as well as other areas of the village but no-one had yet stepped forward.

**ACTION ALL**

**8. To discuss “Parish Wish List” in reference to Neil Homer’s suggestion of “prizes for the village”.**

The possibility of a footpath from the East side of the village to the Recreation ground, a cycle path from Great Horwood to link to Winslow’s new railway station in 2017 and also to the new school in Winslow, tennis courts or small additional play areas strategically located next to new development, together with the school wish list were all mentioned. These would be advised to Neil Homer, to enquire as to how to move this matter forward.

**ACTION JG/NH**

**9. To discuss the set up of a Community Land Trust jointly with Winslow**

It was agreed to ask Neil Homer what our involvement and responsibilities of this would be, so further discussion could take place, as we would be happy to consider this.

**ACTION NH**

**10. Any Other Business.**

JG would check that the Minutes of our Meetings would be placed on the PC website and copies given to Neil Homer.

**ACTION JG**

**10. Place, date and time of next meeting.**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 14 January 2014, commencing at 8.00pm at 30 Little Horwood Road, by kind invitation of David Saunders.

The meeting closed at 9:40 pm.

Approved

Signature .....  
Chairman  
Date .....