

## Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee Meeting

held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January in the Pavilion at 7pm.

**Present** John Willis Tony Strudwick Richard Edwards Tricia Edwards and Bob Waters .Chris Bowden ( Guest Speaker).

There were no members of the public present

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed

Chris Bowden outlined the concept of the Plan and explained the design codes which the Committee wanted to include in the Plan We would need to outline the historic designs which existed in the village. Tony Strudwick pointed out that this would include the Courtauld Inheritance and the principles which guided most of the modern developments i.e. no gated or private communities, no high boundaries separating buildings or public footpaths.

Chris asked what the main concerns were which emerged in the village questionnaire for the Plan, These were housing and traffic. The committee discussed housing needs and in particular whether we should include potential sites for development. If so, Chris explained that we could apply for a grant towards this. The committee were not convinced of the need to issue a call for sites at the present time.

Chris asked for a detailed plan of community sites within the village

Tony raised the issue of a cycle path to Halstead.

Most of the traffic problems in the village were outside our control although it was possible, we could get a zebra crossing.

The business survey was discussed which had thrown up the need for small scale industrial sites. Chris felt that we should follow up on the business survey to clarify what exactly as needed.

We would need to draft a historical background to the village especially it's modern evolution. Bob Waters agreed to do this.

It should be possible to produce a draft plan by the end of March 2024.

The Meeting closed at 8.45pm