

MALTON AND NORTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

STEERING GROUP MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 28th October 2021 at 6.30pm. Held via Zoom

Present:

Chairman:	Councillor David Lloyd-Williams
Public:	Mr Ben Stone, Mr Michael Gwilliam
Malton Town Council:	Paul Emberley, Clerk Gail Cook and Deputy Clerk Tim Hicks to both councils.
Norton Town Council	Antony Croser, Clerk Ros Tierney
Ryedale District Council	Rachael Balmer
Directions Planning:	Mike Dando

173. (10/21) **APOLOGIES.**

Jill Thompson.

174. (10/21) **INTRODUCTION.**

David Lloyd-Williams gave a welcome to the group and stated the purpose of the meeting was to iron out issues raised, in the main, at the Malton Town Council meeting of 27th October as a result of concerns raised by Residents of West Malton Campaign Group.

175. (10/21) **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING.**

These were accepted by the group as a true record, with two changes. Minute 169 - the Regulation 14 Results Grid uploaded to the Malton Town Council website may need to be taken down, amended and re-loaded as a result of decisions taken at tonight's meeting. Minute 171 – Yes confirmed, repaid locality grant and will reapply at the appropriate time.

176. (10/21) **SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS TO SUBMISSION NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Further to the raising of the issues, Mike Dando stated that the main concern now was to get the plan sanctioned for submission to Ryedale DC by Malton Town Council.

Policy TM7 Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure - Members discussed the electric charge point issue raised by a Norton councillor. Rather than be specific Mike Dando advised a more general approach. The paragraph below was suggested for insertion between paragraphs 2 and 4, and members resolved to accept the paragraph. *“The type of charge point provided, in terms of power/speed, should be appropriate to the parking location (i.e. residential, retail etc.), the length of parking stay typical of that location, and in line with the most up-to-date minimum industry standards.”*

Policy TM3-5 Highway Improvement Schemes: Link Road between A64/Braygate Street and A64/B1257 Broughton Road Junction – This concerned the amended link road on the west side of/parallel to the A64 cutting through the AONB and Plantation/Long Plantation Local Green Space. In the Pre-Submission version of the plan, consulted on at Regulation 14 stage, it was shown running on the east side of the A64, but had been amended due to it taking away part of the Malton School grounds. It was agreed that the implications of a west side route had not been appreciated and that such a line was not acceptable. Given that the link road causes problems running either side of the A64, members resolved that it be completely deleted from the plan.

Policy E4 Green and Blue Infrastructure – Members discussed whether there were grounds to justify including High Malton, and all the open land between York Road and Broughton Road

within the Derwent Corridor element of Green and Blue Infrastructure. Whilst noting that this would not preclude development, members resolved to include the area within this designation.

Policy E1 Local Green Space – Members once again discussed the inclusion of High Malton (together with land between Broughton Road and York Road) as a Local Green Space designation. It was explained by Mike Dando that as “an extensive tract of land” the land in question does not meet the eligibility criteria for Local Green Space (ref National Planning Policy Framework paragraph 102 c). He further cited National Planning Practice Guidance which states “the National Planning Policy Framework is clear that Local Green Space designation should only be used where the green area concerned is not an extensive tract of land. Consequently blanket designation of open countryside adjacent to settlements will not be appropriate. In particular, designation should not be proposed as a ‘back door’ way to try to achieve what would amount to a new area of Green Belt by another name.” As such, members again resolved not to include the site for designation.

Policy E5 Gateways – members discussed the matter, and concluded that as gateways are road entry / exit points to the towns, the inclusion of the High Malton site makes no sense. As such, members resolved not to include High Malton as a ‘gateway’.

Policy TM3-4 Highway Improvement Schemes: Southern (Norton) Bypass – Castle Howard Road-Beverley Road. Members discussed the request that the stretch between York Road and Castle Howard Road be deleted. It was considered that the bypass in its entirety is fundamental to the plan’s highway improvement aspirations. As such it was resolved to retain the bypass in its entirety. It was however also resolved that ‘(Norton)’ should be deleted from the policy wording as the bypass relates to both Malton and Norton.

177. (10/21) **PROGRESS WITH SUBMISSION REPORT DOCUMENTS**

Mike Dando advised the group as to the updated position. Consultation Statement complete. Sustainability Appraisal complete. Draft Habitats Regulation Assessment complete, but subject to final review should above plan amendments be confirmed. Strategic Environmental Assessment, awaiting completion and subject to final review should above plan amendments be confirmed. Proposals Map to be amended to reflect plan amendments once confirmed.

178. (10/21) **PROJECT PLAN**

The project plan will have moved on 1 to 2 months, due to the delay.

179. (10/21) **DATE OF NEXT MEETING.**

To be confirmed.

(Meeting closed at 8.30pm)

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