

Date: 05 October 2023

Title: Report Item 16 – NPSG Membership

By: K Larkin (Deputy Clerk)

Purpose: To report on proposals to make new appointments to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Recommendations: To ratify the new appointments recommended by the Steering Group

1. The council will be aware that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group needs to recruit additional members, to replace two who have resigned and also to increase the core membership in readiness for the work to be done over the coming winter when smaller working groups are formed to research particular topics for inclusion in the Plan.
2. It is encouraging to be able to report that following an appeal in the September issue of the Parish Magazine, the Steering Group is now able to recruit four additional members: Councillor White is willing to serve, as are three resident volunteers: Tim Pontin, Maria Stack and Karen Wintle. The co-option of these four candidates will be on the agenda for the next meeting of the Steering Group on 26th September. However, under the Terms of Reference of the Steering Group, it is the parish council that has the final say on appointments to the Group, and all the candidates are aware of this. An oral update on the outcome of the Group meeting will be provided for council at its meeting on 5th October.
3. It is also encouraging to report that there are a further two or three residents who would be willing to assist with research as members of the working groups in due course.