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## Extraordinary Planning Committee Meeting Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024, 7.30pm MINUTES

Attendees:

Cllr Rowson (Chairman)

Cllr Cameron Cllr Kemp (part) Cllr Kirby

Cllr Li

Also in attendance: Parish Clerk/RFO: Jane Sawyer

12 members of the public

**P23.558** Chairmans Announcements: The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded everyone to switch off their mobile phones and to note the fire exits. The Chairman advised that the meeting was being recorded for minute taking purposes.

**P23.559** Apologies for Absence: Cllr Coyte.

**P23.560 Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Kemp declared a pecuniary interest in the site allocation for Land at Chiltley Farm contained within the EHDC Draft Local Plan, as her property is adjacent to the site allocation. Cllr Cameron declared a non pecuniary interest in the site allocation for Land at Haslemere Road contained within the EHDC Draft Local Plan as she is a member of the River Wey Trust.

## **P23.561** Public Participation Session:

Members of the public present raised questions relating to the site allocation for Land at Chiltley farm and how the Committee had reached their decision on the response agreed at the last Planning Committee meeting. The Chairman confirmed that the Clerk will respond to the email sent from the residents group following this evening's meeting.

Cllr Kemp left the meeting at 7.55pm

Cllr Cameron left the meeting room during the discussion of part 1 of the following agenda item: Land North of Haslemere Road **P23.562** East Hampshire District Council Draft Local Plan Consultation: The Committee considered Land North of Haslemere Road and agreed that their initial comments needed no further clarification.

## Cllr Cameron rejoined the meeting

The Committee considered their previous response to the Consultation and agreed to send some further comments to EHDC recognising that the period for formal consultation had closed. The following comments were agreed:

Bramshott & Liphook Parish Council wish to provide additional comments and clarification relating to our formal response to the East Hampshire District Council Draft Local Plan Consultation.

Our response was considered, in particular, against the need for quality affordable homes, development in sustainable locations and at sustainable levels of growth.

Our formal comments raised concerns about the low densities proposed on each of the 3 allocated sites and, in a previous draft Local Plan, the indicative density per hectare on Land West of Headley Road and Land at Chiltley Farm was much higher than now proposed. We would like to ask EHDC for information on the criteria and reasoning used in proposing these low densities.

The low densities would limit the likelihood of affordable homes coming forward on any of the sites and this would not be in accordance with EHDC Emerging Local Plan Policy on Density, Carbon Reduction in development and the identified provision of smaller more affordable homes.

The Council would like to make it clear that we are not proposing more homes than the 111 proposed in the Draft Local Plan. However, we feel that a better use of the land could be made with the housing over two sites and not three. Land North of Haslemere Road is wholly within the River Wey Conservation Area and we would propose that the 111 houses could be accommodated within the two other site allocations for Bramshott and Liphook.

Lastly, we would like to comment on the lack of community spaces, such as sport and recreational facilities, in the EHDC Draft Local Plan and there is an identified need for these within the Parish.

The meeting closed at 8.44pm.			
Signed:	Date:		
Chairman			