

Dinnington St John's Town Council

Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee held on 9th May 2025 at 9:00am in Committee Room, Council Office, Dinnington

Present: Cllr N Ruff (Chair), Cllr L Clarke, Cllr W Hall, Cllr J Hart, T Mulholland and D Smith.

Apologies: Cllr D Adams

Absent: None

Attendance: T. Collingham (Town Clerk and RFO) and no members of public.

- 177/25** To allow for questions from electors of Dinnington to ask one question only in respect of business itemised on the agenda or on a pertinent issue that may arise; followed by the formal meeting

No public in attendance.

- 178/25** To receive and consider any reasons for absence

Resolved:- The Committee noted no apologies were received but that Cllr D Adams was absent.

- 179/25** To receive and record any declarations of interest and if necessary, to receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests and grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None received

- 180/25** To consider any matters which should be dealt with in open, or confidential session (items for v the Press and Public may be excluded further to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act

Resolved:- The Committee resolved that N83, N84 and N85 be held in confidential session due to the commercial sensitivity.

- 181/25** To approve the minutes from the Neighbourhood Plan Committee meeting held on 11th April 202

No matters raised on the minutes.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee on 11th April 2025 be approved as record and the minutes be signed by the Chairman at the bottom of each page.

- 182/25** To note an update from the Clerk in respect to the following resolutions at the previous meeting and to consider any further action

- a) That the Clerk approach the Council's solicitors to understand the land ownership surrounding the plots of land at Leicester Road. That the Clerk write a follow up letter to Rotherham Council's Chief Executive, and relevant Strategic Directors and that a meeting with the Chair of the Council is arranged with the Chief Executive in relation to outstanding payments of S106 monies

The Committee noted the current occupiers of the surrounding land on Leicester Road. The Clerk informed the Committee that no response had been received from the Chief Executive and that a further email had been sent to prompt a response. The Committee agreed to wait for a response before any further action.

- b) That the Clerk is delegated to amend the pack to check the spelling, grammar and design and then to send to the list of attendees of the previous meeting between the Chair of the Council and Rotherham Council. Secondly, that an update be provided to the GP Surgery by Cllr W Hall, Cllr T Mulholland and D. Johnston

Chairman Signature:



The Clerk shared an updated pack with the Committee but highlighted that the image quality wasn't correct and further enhancements would need to be made.

Cllr W Hall provided an update to the Committee regarding a meeting with the GP Surgery in Dinnington. The Committee noted the extra funding that had been awarded to the GP Surgery and plans for development within Dinnington.

- c) **That the Clerk to invite BPL back to the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee and to include private investment on the agenda of the next Neighbourhood Plan Committee**

The Clerk advised that BPL were unable to attend the meeting for today and whether it would be worth inviting them back at this stage. The Committee agreed to wait at this stage but it would be valuable to have the presentation again in the future.

- d) **That the Clerk will provide the Council's powers in relation to completing a CPO for information and that an invite be sent to previous attendees for Empty Homes on behalf of Rotherham Council to come back to the Council on the meeting taking place on Friday 16th May 2025**

The Clerk advised that the CPO process for Local Government at a parish council level is currently being legislated and not able to be performed at this stage.

Resolved:-

- 1) That Cllr N Ruff, Cllr W Hall and Cllr D Smith meet with the occupiers of the surrounding land on Leicester Road.
- 2) That Cllr D Smith contact Barratts Homes to confirm how much money has been paid to RMBC – and that contact be made with the Member of Parliament if we do not receive a response to the latest email sent to RMBC.
- 3) That Cllr W Hall and Cllr T Mulholland contact the GP Surgery to understand the funding model for their surgeries and what funding gap they may have in relation to refurbishment costs, whether this is capital or pension funded.
- 4) Cllr D Smith to continue the list of Empty Homes in Dinnington in preparation for the meeting on 6th June 2025.

- I83/25 [CONFIDENTIAL ITEM] – To invite Cube to discuss the previous work undertaken with the development of Leicester Road and consider any further action**

Due to the nature of the business to be transacted, this item was excluded from the press and public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2)

Resolved:- That due to apologies, Cube be invited to the meeting on the 20th June 2025 to present the previous plans given to the Council in regard to development within Dinnington and that the Clerk look into the practical and financial process for consultancy of external partners

- I84/25 [CONFIDENTIAL ITEM] – To note an update from the Chair following a meeting with the RNN Group and consider any further action**

Due to the nature of the business to be transacted, this item was excluded from the press and public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2)

Resolved:- That Cllr N Ruff to arrange to meet the RNN Group with the Clerk on 16th May 2025 and feedback from the meeting to the Committee

- I85/25 [CONFIDENTIAL ITEM] – To discuss private investment and consider any further action**

Due to the nature of the business to be transacted, this item was excluded from the press and public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2)

It was noted within this item that the schedule of meetings had been updated; with a change to advertised schedule from 16th May to 23rd May.

Councillors raised within the meeting the ability to use Crowdfunding for private investment into projects. The Clerk advised that if the Council were to borrow money this would need to be a full



council decision and that this has not been factored into this year's precept. The Clerk advised that borrowing for a Council is preferably made through Public Loan Works Board (PLWB). The Committee asked for the Clerk to find out more information regarding the PLWB.

Resolved:-

- 1) That the Clerk would provide more information regarding borrowing from the PLWB including the term length and maximum to borrow
- 2) That BPL be invited to a future meeting in regard to private investment

186/25 To note an update with regard to the sale of land at East Street and consider any further action

The Clerk advised that this is still moving through the conveyancing process and there is no further update.

187/25 To note any matters for inclusion on the next meeting

That the Committee would like to invite Jake Richards MP to our meeting on 6th June 2025 and that the Committee be provided with a full update from the GP Surgery.

188/25 To note the date and time of the next meeting

Friday 23rd May 2025 at 9:00am

**Meeting Closed
10:32**

Chairman Signature:



