

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL (PLANNING MEETING) HELD AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 9TH AT COPYTHORNE PARISH HALL

PRESENT:

In the Chair Councillor John Goodwin

Parish Councillors Joe Reilly, Lady Kara Hawks, Sarah Coombs, Simon Lucas, Steve Herra.

Clerk Michael Mortimer

IN ATTENDANCE 14 members of the public

187 Item No. 5 – Affordable Housing Councillor Simon Lucas introduced his report on the next steps in the consultation process for the potential provision of affordable housing in Copythorne, which included:

- a. Proposed arrangements for the Open Forum meeting on Affordable Housing to be held on Wednesday 16th March 2016 at 7pm in the Parish Hall.
- b. The necessity for Members to establish, by nomination and agreement, a Member's Working Group to work with other partners on the formulation of a comments/feedback form for use after the affordable housing open forum event.

Members noted the contents of the report. In a discussion on the report in respect of timings for the open forum event, Councillor Steve Herra suggested that it might be necessary to introduce some flexibility into the programming if for instance the presubmitted question session could be dealt with in a lesser time.

It was also agreed that in respect of Councillor Simon Lucas's second proposal,

2. we no longer accept questions in meetings from the public about the proposals themselves, but we will accept questions regarding the process and management of the consultation (if members of the public wish to ask more questions post the Open Forum, they should use the Feedback Forms available in hard copy and on the website).

That further questions from members of the public on affordable housing would still be permitted at Council meetings. In respect of other proposals contained in Councillor Simon Lucas's report, it was resolved to form a members Affordable Housing Working Group comprising of Councillors Simon Lucas, Joe Reilly and Sarah Coombs. This group would report back to the Full Council meeting on 23rd February on the work undertaken in respect of the open forum event.