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To: The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Members of Ashbourne Town Council

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of Ashbourne Town Council to be held at **7.00pm** on **Tuesday 15 January 2018** in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Ashbourne.
Members are asked to sign the attendance sheet for the meeting and to complete the Declarations Sheet (if appropriate). These will be available in the Council Chamber.

Yours sincerely


Carole Dean
Town Clerk

AGENDA

*****Non-Confidential items of this meeting may be Audio Recorded*****

- 1) **Consideration of apologies for absence.**
- 2) **Variation of Order of Business.**
- 3) **Declaration of Members Interests.**
Please Note:- To enable Members to declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest they have in subsequent agenda items, in accordance with the Town Council's Code of Conduct. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.
- 4) **To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest**
- 5) **Public Questions and Comments – (3 Minutes per speaker a maximum 15 Minutes in total)**
 - a) A period of not more than fifteen minutes will be made available for members of the public and Members of the Council to comment on matters relating to items on the Agenda.
 - b) If the Police Liaison Officer, a County Council or District Council Member is in attendance they will be given the opportunity to raise any relevant matter.
- 6) **Representatives of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group to be present to answer any questions that Members have on the irregularities identified between the last two versions 180301 and the final version 180430. Both versions will be available to Members at the meeting for consideration of the changes. Copies of the irregularities and response from the NPSG are attached.**
- 7) **Members to consider any amendments and to send a final version based on any amendments to version 180430 for submission to Mike Hase at DDDC.**
- 8) **Members to agree the letter that accompanies the Neighbourhood Plan addressed to Mike Hase at DDDC (attached).**

Front to 22 ok
Page 23 Bottom Para Sentence Needs finishing off
(regular events (ED Sec 3))

Page 30 Para 4.41 + 4.43.
is this the venue of council members?

Page 32. Para 4.49 needs ref putting in
(Page 49 Sec 4.58)?
11 Para 5.50 omit and.

Page 34 Section 4 walking + cycling
Para 4.55 4.56 4.57 there's no picture
this is in the Section 6. part. Showing cycle Hub
in Bus Station

Page 35 Section 4 housing para 4.60 last sentence
1-3 bedroom properties? 1-2 !!

Page 42. Query dates + typos

Page 43 Growth Para 5.11 Quoting about bedrooms
now says 1-2?

Page 47 Airfield site Master Plan has been
added as working doc Para 5.29 5.30 5.31
wasn't in this section before

Page 56 Design. NO Purpose!

The Policy looks as though missing due to the fact
put in about Renewable + Low carbon energy Page 57
and Dark Sites which was can 5 policy on Page 58
before Policy DESI - Design.

Page 63 added ultra low emission (which was can 4)
as written doc before Policy TRA 1 TRANSPORT.

Page 70. Query why Bradley Wood is in the part as
didn't think it was in Boundary of WP MAP.

Page 71 Section 6 Implementation

First sentence says it all and full these pages up to 78 inclusive should be presented as its own doc and not as the N/A.
Plus Airfield is not ATC PARISH.

**Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan Group response to the Ashbourne Town Council
“Irregularities” statement on the Neighbourhood Plan**

Context

Ashbourne Town Council at its Council meeting on 20 November agreed to refer an “Irregularities statement” on the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan that was prepared by Councillors S.Bull and S. Spencer to the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan Group and Urban Vision for review.

The “Irregularities statement” apparently identified discrepancies between the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan that was approved by the Town Council on 24 April, and which was to be forwarded to Derbyshire District Council for final processing, and a copy of the latest version Neighbourhood Plan that was amended in line with the Town Council’s decision on the 24 April.

The “Irregularities statement” was received by the chair of the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan Group on Friday 30 November and a copy is included with this response.

The comments have been reviewed and fully considered by the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan Group the findings and any necessary actions are set out below in appendix 1. Having fully considered and addressed each point raised by ATC there is only 1 minor typo to correct.

It is therefore clear that there is no need to meet to discuss the comments further as this will only serve to further delay the submission of the Neighbourhood Plan contrary to the resolution made by the Council in April.

The Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan Steering group will now amend the plan as set out above and forward a final copy to you for approval at full council on the 11th December and submission to DDDC without further delay in accordance with the resolution passed in April 2018.

Yours Faithfully

Darren Archer
Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan Chairman

Appendix 1

1. Page 23, last sentence – The 24th April version of the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) that Ashbourne Town Council (ATC) considered had the full sentence. The words ‘regular events’ are missing and need to be added.

ANPG Decision

To add the two word that are missing for completeness.

2. Page 30 Para 4.41 & 4.43 - Both paragraphs were included in the version approved by ATC in April as such no alterations are required.

ANPG Decision

No change.

3. Page 32 para 4.49 - Is a direct reference to DDDC’s Local Plan and therefore no alteration is required.

ANPG Decision

Para 4.49 is a DDDC Local Plan reference. It does not need to be referenced again. No change.

4. Page 32 para 4.50 - Again this paragraph was included in the version of the NP approved in April by the Town Council. Furthermore it is a factual description of Derbyshire County Council’s position when the NP was completed in December 2017. As such no alteration required.

ANPG decision

No change.

5. Page 34 para 4.55, 4.56 and 4.57 - The cycle hub is fully described in Section 6. Guidance for drafting Neighbourhood plan advises against repetition wherever possible. Therefore no change required.

ANPG decision

No change.

6. Page 35 para 4.60 - Housing need is set out in full in section 5 and a need for smaller home units i.e. 1, 2 or 3 bedrooms is clearly shown. This paragraph is written to reduce the number of larger properties included in Ashbourne residential planning applications, namely 4 and 5 bedroom homes. The planning justification is to meet a housing need stated in the Ashbourne Housing Needs Assessment (AHNA) and therefore no change required.

ANPG decision

No change.

7. Page 42 - No typo’s given and dates are correct so no change required.

ANPG decision

No change

8. Page 43 para 5.11- This reference in the Plan simply emphasises the specific need for smaller properties, especially for affordable housing. It does not negate or contradict the point made in 6 above that 1-3 bedroom properties are specifically required to counter balance DDDC's recent planning approvals for developments in Ashbourne containing much larger 4-5 bedroom properties.

ANPG decision
No change

9. Page 47 para 5.29, 5.30, 5.31 - The need for a masterplan for the Ashbourne Airfield site has always been in EMP 1, indeed it is the first point of this policy. The Town Council agreed this policy in April 2018. The additional text simply responds to what local people told us during the Reg 14 consultation to make the NP more action orientated. If paras 5.29 to 5.31 were to be deleted then policy EMP 1 would also need to be amended, if not deleted. Such a major policy change may require REG 14 public consultation to be re-run, delaying the NP by many months and at significant cost to ATC. This would represent a major change of policy by ATC and could not be made without evidence from public consultation that a change is justified.

ANPG decision
No change.

10. Page 56 Design - The need for good design in development is clearly laid down and supported in The National Planning Framework and DDDC's Local Plan. This should be clearly understood by ATC and supported.

ANPG decision
No change.

11. Page 56 Renewable Energy, Low Carbon and Dark Skies text - The inclusion of the Renewable Energy, Low Carbon Technologies and Dark Skies text was included on the advice of Urban Vision. Furthermore these items were discussed and agreed by the Town Council in April so no change required.

ANPG decision
No change

12. Page 63 - This wording and arrangement was agreed by ATC in April and therefore no change is required.

ANPG decision
No change

13. Page 70 - This is a visual reference to a Local Plan policy and is meant to give local appreciation of protecting valuable open space and woods with regard to the NPPF and the DDDC Local Plan. It clearly does not mean that Bradley Wood is included in the NP as a policy.

ANPG decision

No change

14. Page 71 - Section 6 Implementation - One of the main comments from the public and conclusions of the Reg 14 consultation was the need for the plan to be more action orientated. Indeed one of the principal criticisms of many neighbourhood plans at inspection is the lack of an effective Implementation strategy. Councillor Bull and Councillor Spencer's comments on Ashbourne Airfield are not correct. Part of the Ashbourne Airfield development is within the Town Council boundary, as can be seen from the Map on page 29 of the NP, and this has been explained to the ATC on several occasions. Indeed ATC has recently objected to a variation of conditions planning application on Phase 1 of the Ashbourne Airfield development which was considered by DDDC planning committee on Tuesday 4 December 2018.

ANPG decision

No change



Ashbourne Town Council

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18th January 2019

Dear Mr Hase

Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan

Members of Ashbourne Town Council have instructed me to forward a copy of the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents to Derbyshire Dales District Council with a view to moving forward to Regulation 16.

I understand that from discussions between you and the chair of the steering group you have expressed the view that the documents will need to be subjected to another Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) by Derbyshire Dales District Council.

The Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee in consultation with Urban Vision can confirm that, as set out in the consultation statement page 9, no policies have been changed in the current version of the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan provided from the version of the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan which DDDC carried out the SEA on. As such a new SEA is not required by the legislation and DDDC should move the plan forward to Regulation 16 without further delay.

Therefore, I would be pleased if you could consider the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan and keep me informed of the next stage in the procedure. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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