

Minutes of Whaddon Planning Committee meeting held on 24th September 2012 at 8.10p.m. in the Village Hall, Church Street, Whaddon, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5RY.

Present: Chair Cllr K French
 Committee members Cllr A Milton, Cllr M Peyton
 Clerk Mrs G van Poortvliet
 Parishioners 0 present

1. **Apologies for absence** – received from Cllr L Ginger.
2. **Disclosure of interests** – none declared.
3. **Approval and signing of minutes from the Planning Committee meetings of (i) 21st June 2012 and (ii) 28th August 2012** – Resolved: that the minutes be signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.
4. **Comments from the public** – no public present.
5. **SCDC Local Plan – agreement of Parish Council’s response re issues of relevance to Whaddon including a possible additional employment development area at the Eternit Site**: the SCDC Local Plan was reviewed and areas of relevance to Whaddon highlighted and discussed. The following responses were agreed:

| Question Number | Option Chosen | Comment |
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| 1 | n/a | The Council’s Vision is appropriate |
| 2 | n/a | The Objectives are fine |
| 3 | (i) | We do not feel that the County can sustain a higher level of growth and still maintain the quality of life per the Vision Statement |
| 4a | (i) | We do not feel that the County can sustain a higher level of growth and still maintain the quality of life per the Vision Statement |
| 5 | Yes | |
| 7 | No | Local Plan is too generic for this |
| 8 | Yes | |
| 9 | iv | |
| 10 | No | Green belt has lost its purpose due to so much development on it already |
| 11 | Yes | Only where sustainable |
| 14 | (ii) | As long as it is sustainable and in keeping |
| 15A | (ii) | |
| 15B | n/a | Parts of Whaddon’s framework do not follow specific boundaries e.g. the south side of Meldreth Road |
| 17 | Yes | Consideration needs to be given to how to implement this in small villages (broadband and transport) |
| 33A | Yes | |
| 37A | Yes | |
| 42(i) | Yes | |
| 42 (ii) | No | |
| 46 | (iv) | |

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| 48A | (i) | |
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| 50 | (ii) | |
| 51 | n/a | Options do not make sense |
| 52 | (ii) | SCDC should consider other ways of limiting size e.g a maximum square metre limit/ |
| 54 | (ii) | |
| 55 | (i) | |
| 56 | (i) | |
| 57 | (iii) | |
| 65 | Yes | Otherwise children will be disadvantaged and working from home will not be supported |
| 66A | No | |
| 66B (i) | No | Local infrastructure does not support the increased traffic that would result from this. |
| 66B (ii) | No | |
| 116 | Yes | |

Action: the Clerk to respond on-line to the SCDC Local Plan Consultation by the deadline of noon 28th September 2012.

6. Items for next meeting – none requested.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.