Steering Group Meeting Notes held at The Tiptree Community Centre on the 19th Jan (postponed from the 5th Jan 2022

Present

Cllr Greenwood (Chair), Cllr Webb (V Chair), Cllr Allen-Shepherd, Cllr Redgewell

Steve Read, Sue More, Adrian & Jean Foster Brown

1. Apologies for absence

None

2. Declarations of interest

None

3. Questions from the Public

None

4. Approval of notes from previous meeting 3rd Nov 2021

Approved

5. Actions outstanding from Previous Meeting 3rd Nov 2021

Cllr Greenwood stated that he had been advised not to write to the developers as originally planned who were now not being included in the forthcoming Plan until the draft plan is approved by council.

6. Chairmans Update

Nothing to report

7. NP Progress

NP – Text had been updated

SEA - Aecom Technical support had advised that they needed GSI layers from CBC. These have now been provided. A meeting had been arranged for Tuesday 25th Jan at 2.30pm with Aecom

8. Grant Application

Secretary advised that Grant application had been submitted just before Xmas and she had spoken to a Grant Manager in the New Year regarding the progress of the grant application of £6652. The Grant Manager advised that in similar circumstances where plans were not successful at examination they had made application to programme's funder — the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities for a grant reset given the fact that we hit an issue at a late stage and had to return to earlier stages of the plan making process. They pointed out that as the majority of the grant allowance had been utilised they were suggesting that this is done in this case as they didn't feel that we were eligible for the

original additional grant funding, which the group were expecting to get. On the 18th of January the Secretary received an offer of the grant of £6652.00 which she was now in the process of completing the necessary actions to release the money. She reiterated the need to have Reg 14 completed by the end of March 22 as per grant conditions, but would make further enquiries as to whether it was requiring the money to be spent or the process completed, she believed it was both

9. Finance

No further expenditure had been received other than consultant fees and office costs.

10. Regulation 14 Consultation

Steve Read had drafted an action list before the meeting of which the Chairman thanked him for the work involved. Paper copies were circulated along with a breakdown of the grant budget expenditure. This was discussed amongst the group, with various ideas and suggestions with the consensus to keep things as simple as possible, due to time constraints and fewer members in the group

11. Correspondence

None received

12. Date of next Meeting

2nd February

Meeting closed at 8.20pm