

Crowhurst Neighbourhood Plan

Draft minute of Crowhurst Parish Council meeting authorising the response to Initial Questions from the Independent Examiner

17332.1. To review the minutes of the steering group meeting on 4th March. The minutes were noted and approved. Cllr Day also reported that following from the replies to the Reg16 questions noted in the minutes we have since received seven further questions from the examiner. Cllr Day presented these questions and noted that these questions require a response by 22 March. Members reviewed the proposed replies by Cllr Day to these seven questions and agreed six of the seven replies. The remaining question referred to the inclusion in the NP for a footpath end-point change on the path that passed the Manor Ruins and is described in the NP as change so that the path will ultimately lead to the proposed new car park and not pass the Manor Ruins. The examiner has questioned that because a path diversion is a highways matter and not a planning matter that this item should be removed from the NP. Cllr Stainsby proposed that the NP be amended to exclude the change to the footpath. This was not seconded and was taken no further. Members resolved by 4 votes in favour, with one abstention (Cllr White) and one objection (Cllr Stainsby) to take further advice from to examiner to enable the NP to remain unchanged and also to recognise that the path change and the creation of the car park are linked by materiality, that including this is the NP makes the proposal transparent and that any decision on any path diversion will be taken not with reference to the NP but by the Highways authority and the owner of the land through which a footpath passes.

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