

**19 MAY 2015**

**DAWLISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP**

Present:

Councillor Clemens  
Councillor Prowse (Chairman)  
Mrs C. Ballard  
Dr C. Marsh

Also present:

Mr A. McKenzie – Secretary  
Mrs Mary Lowther – Resident  
Councillor Taylor – Town Councillor for Dawlish South West Ward

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillor Bloomfield, Councillor Petherick, Mr C. Jeffery, Mr J Simon (co-optee), Ms F Tullis, Mr C Swanwick and Mr M Wrigley.

**2. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 April 2015 were approved and signed as a correct record subject to the second paragraph of Item 6 – Local Evidence Gathering and Update reading:

*“Dr Marsh advised that at the meeting of the Dawlish Transition core group on 31 March, Mrs Ballard drew our attention to her recent ‘Local Evidence Report’, in particular the information on farmlands, which is relevant to our interest in Local Food being included as a strategic item in the new Neighbourhood Plan (as outlined in C. Marsh, ‘The Case for a Local Food Strategy as Part of the Dawlish Neighbourhood Plan’, 20/2/15). Mr Weston advised that an opinion expressed at a meeting of a local community group constitutes evidence, and as such should be included in the evidence gathering. Dr Marsh was asked to send her paper to the Secretary”.*

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4. MATTERS OF URGENCY**

The Chairman advised that she had received a letter from Teignbridge District Council advising that the Dawlish Neighbourhood Development Plan had been approved without amendment. This correspondence would be discussed at the next meeting of the Group.

## **5. APPOINTMENT OF GROUP VACANCIES**

The Chairman advised that subsequent to elections held on 7 May, two Councillor vacancies existed on the Steering group. She also advised that Mr M Wrigley, a public Member of the Group, had been elected as a Dawlish Town Councillor and had expressed to continue on the Group as a Council appointee. Both vacancies would be appointed to by the Town Council at its meeting on Wednesday, 20 May.

The Secretary advised those present that if more than one nomination was received at the Town Council meeting, it would be the nomination with a majority of votes that would be appointed to fill the vacancy.

The Chairman went on to advise that former Councillor Mary Lowther had indicated a desire to continue on the Group as a Member of the public. It would be for the Group to recommend public nominations to the Town Council meeting for formal appointment.

Resolved

That Mrs Mary Lowther be recommended for appointment to the Dawlish Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group by Dawlish Town Council at it meeting on Wednesday, 20 May.

COUNCILLOR ROSALIND PROWSE

Chairman