

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Report 29 January 2019

1.

The Steering Group considered the draft letter to Cornwall Council prepared in response to Cornwall Council's letter on the Neighbourhood Plan. (Item 16 of FTC meeting 10 January).

The draft was approved and would be sent to CC under the chairman's signature on Saltash Town Council headed notepaper.

2.

The Steering Group has now completed working through the detailed comments made by CC on the Consultation Draft of the Neighbourhood Plan. Responses are recorded on a spreadsheet. It was agreed that modifications would be made to the original consultation draft and that the principal activity of the next meetings would be to run through the revised document

3

The Steering Group considered the implications of the result of the Crantock High Court Hearing of 13th December 2018, seeking a Judicial Review, which was unsuccessful. The judgement being that the council had no reasonable grounds to anticipate a successful review of the decision to grant planning permission for building houses in excess of the "local need" numbers identified in the Crantock Neighbourhood Plan

The main issue raised was the interpretation by Cornwall Council on what actually constituted Local Need.

The CC's interpretation now appeared to relate to countywide local need and not "parish" level local need. This interpretation did not appear consistent with Policy 9 of the Cornwall Local Plan

It was agreed to include CLP Policy 9 in the SNP and to ensure that Local Need wording was strengthened to ensure that housing need related to applicants with a connection to the parish

4.

The Landulph Neighbourhood Development Plan Consultation (Item 6f of FTC meeting 22 January).

The Steering Group considered the four policies embodied within the Plan and considered that there would be no material effect on Saltash.