

For Council: 5 March 2018 APPENDIX 1

Lichfield City Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee
held in the Moulton Room at Guildhall, Lichfield,
on Monday 26 February 2018 at 6.30pm**

PRESENT: Councillors A Thompson (Chairman), Mrs D Baker, B Cocksey, D Dundas, Mrs S James, D Leytham, Miss J Marks, and M Warfield.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Mrs J Allsopp, J Brooks, I Eadie and P Ray.

1. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2017 (adopted by Council on 6 March 2017) be confirmed as a correct record.

2. LICHFIELD CITY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (LCNP) REFERENDUM RESULT

The Lichfield City Neighbourhood Plan referendum was held on 22 February 2018. The result was as follows:

In favour	2384
Against	1806
Rejected ballot papers	35

Of the 4225 votes cast, 57% were in favour, the LCNP has therefore passed the referendum stage by majority vote and will become part of the Planning framework for the City.

The Chairman thanked all members of the committee for their contributions to the development of the LCNP, and the Committee thanked the Chairman for his dedication and perseverance during the development of the LCNP.

RESOLVED:

That the result of the LCNP referendum be received.

3. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – NEXT STEPS

The Committee discussed the most appropriate next steps in regard to implementation of the LCNP and to ensure it is correctly referenced during Planning discussions.

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

- a) The Neighbourhood Plan Committee be disbanded having achieved its aim of developing a Neighbourhood Plan for the City of Lichfield that has successfully passed referendum stage***
- b) The City Council's Planning Committee be tasked with due consideration of the Neighbourhood Plan when employment is a factor in planning applications or as otherwise appropriate; and that the Planning Committee ensure that reference is made to this process in any responses submitted***
- c) The City Council's Planning Committee invite a speaker to explain the consequences of an approved Neighbourhood Plan and the process of applying for and receiving Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)***
- d) That a small 'Neighbourhood Plan Implementation Working Party' be established to oversee the next stages of the Neighbourhood Plan; to consult with interested parties, to advise how CIL money is spent in line with the LCNP and to ensure the LCNP remains fit for purpose during its lifetime***
- e) That the Town Clerk compiles draft 'terms of reference' for the working party to be considered at a future meeting of the City Council.***

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

As Sandfields Pumping Station is featured in the LCNP, Councillor D Dundas drew Members' attention to the possible withdrawal of the current permission awarded to Lichfield Waterworks Trust by Persimmon Homes that has allowed the restoration work to proceed to its current stage. Possible outcomes include a formal lease between Persimmon and the Waterworks Trust, or an ownership transfer to the Waterworks Trust. Both scenarios are problematic, however.

Councillor D Dundas also advised Members of the parking shortage at the Samuel Johnson Hospital, particularly when adjacent land at Wissage Road is currently subject to development proposals. The parking shortage may impede attempts to expand the services offered at the hospital and this could have negative economic consequences.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.28PM**