



HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL
Neighbourhood Planning Committee

REPORT (Minutes)

of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee,
held in the Fleur de Lys Meeting Room
on Monday 25th March at 5.30 p.m.

NP/24/04/
1 **Present:** Councillors D Chapman, M Laxton (Chairman) and S Potts.

2 **Officers Present:** Mr. J. Harrison (Town Clerk) Mrs. K. Giddings and Mr. D. Saxby.

3 **Public Forum**

To deal with any questions or brief representations from members of the public relevant to the remit of the committee, in accordance with Standing Order 1. and Hailsham Town Council policy. (15 Minutes)

There were no members of the public present.

4 **Apologies for Absence:**

No apologies had been received.

5 **Declarations of Interest**

None presented.

Response to Wealden Local Plan/Hailsham Neighbourhood Development Plan

6.1 Debate took place on whether the Neighbourhood Plan Committee had delegated authority to reply directly to Wealden District Council on their Local Plan. On checking Standing Orders, it was agreed that it was permissible to do so.

The Chairman said that Hailsham Town Council had until 10th May to submit a written response to the Wealden Local Plan. It was agreed that the Communications Officer add a post to the Hailsham Town Council Facebook account advising the public that the Local Plan is available to look at in the Hailsham Town Council offices.

Troy Planning had quoted between £6,500 and £7,500 to respond on HTC's behalf to the Wealden Local Plan and to update the Neighbourhood Plan. This was within the current budget.

6.2 **RESOLVED** to employ the services of Troy Planning at a cost of between £6,500 and £7,500 to respond to the Wealden Local Plan and to update Hailsham Town Council's Neighbourhood Development Plan.

6.3 **RESOLVED** to recommend to Council that the membership of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee be increased to seven members.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 5.56pm.