

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

SCRUTINY COMMISSION

11 AUGUST 2016 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Mr MR Lay - Chairman
Mrs R Camamile – Vice-Chairman

Mr DC Bill MBE, Mr SL Bray, Mr WJ Crooks, Mrs J Richards, Mr BE Sutton,
Mr P Wallace, Mr R Ward, Mr HG Williams and Ms BM Witherford (for Mr KWP Lynch)

Also in attendance: Councillor J Kirby, Councillor C Ladkin, Councillor M Nickerson and
Councillor SL Rooney

Officers in attendance: Steve Atkinson, Bill Cullen, Edwina Grant, Simon D Jones, Julie
Kenny, Rebecca Owen and Nic Thomas

106 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Lynch with the substitution
of Councillor Witherford authorised in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.

108 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared at this stage.

112 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME UPDATE

Members received a report which proposed a revised Local Development Scheme (LDS)
for 2016-19 which was a statutory requirement and crucial in decision making. During
discussion and in response to questions asked, the following points were made:

- The significant weight of the local plan in decision making
- The need to commit to support all parishes and defined communities, particularly
on approaching the end of the period covered by the document in 2019
- The need to keep abreast of housing numbers and delivery of affordable housing
(it was noted that a report on affordable housing delivery was on the work
programme for the October meeting)
- The gypsy and traveller study, the outcome of which would be reported to the
planning policy working group, was queried and it was requested that it be
presented to a future meeting of the Commission
- The important need to explain reasons for housing growth to the public.

RESOLVED –

- (i) Council be RECOMMENDED to make a commitment to
neighbourhood planning;
- (ii) The outcome of the gypsy and traveller study be brought to a
future meeting.

(The Meeting closed at 9.05 pm)