# <u>Little Milton Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group</u> Minutes of meeting held on 12th July 2018 at 27 Chiltern View

#### **Attendees**

Barry Coward (Parish Councillor) – Chairman Cllr Kate Daunt Ian Dennis (Resident) Raymond Fergusson (Parish Clerk)

### 1. Apologies

None

#### 2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018 were accepted as true record of the meeting

## 3. Clarification note from Examiner

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council at its meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 RESOLVED to endorse the Steering Group's draft response to the points of clarification submitted by the Examiner, Andrew Ashcroft.

#### 4. Referendum Plan

The Chairman stated there was a need to plan now for the referendum and had produced a short paper that included the Referendum Question, "Do you want SODC to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Little Milton to help it decide planning applications in the Neighbourhood Area". The Chairman outlined the communication aims to try and ensure that the electorate were well informed and encouraged to vote.

The meeting supported the proposed of actions that the Chairman had prepared that included a leaflet drop two weeks before the agenda, banners advertising the referendum, drop in sessions at the Pine Lodge, an ongoing social media awareness and a door to door flyer drop on the evening before the referendum day. The Chairman issued a draft leaflet that contained key information that could be included as part of the communication aims.

The Chairman stated that the Referendum must be held within eight weeks of the Decision Statement issued by SODC after the Parish Council had responded to the Examiner's Report, if required. It is at present unclear as to when the Examiner will submit his report. The following is a table of possible Referendum Dates

<u>Decision Statement</u>	Referendum by
16 <sup>th</sup> August	11th October
23 <sup>rd</sup> August	18 <sup>th</sup> October
30 <sup>th</sup> August	25 <sup>th</sup> October
6 <sup>th</sup> September	1 <sup>st</sup> November
13 <sup>th</sup> September	8 <sup>th</sup> November

There was a discussion on the ability of the Steering Group to "manage" the timing of the Referendum with SODC to allow sufficient time to complete the finalisation of the Neighbourhood Plan for printing as well as design of the local publicity in advance of the referendum

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### 5. Timing (based on recent cases)

The anticipated timings are as follows:

• Examiner's Report Early August

Decision Notice (SODC)
Referendum
Late August/Early September
Late October/Early November

• Acceptance November

# 6. Any Other Business

There was no other business

## 7. Schedule of Meetings

The following is a schedule of proposed meeting dates

9<sup>th</sup> August

29<sup>th</sup> August

10<sup>th</sup> September

24<sup>th</sup> September

### 8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is planned for **August 9th** at **Pear Tree Cottage (Venue to be confirmed)**