



was a Q&A session at the Community Centre when 19 people attended. The meeting was good tempered ended with a round of applause for the officers! Patricia said that the meeting achieved the aims which had been to inform residents and separate the ongoing issues from issues related to developments close to Anmore Road. The meeting thanked PS for taking this initiative.

(v) NL-B reported on the issues of the Government's relaxation of the General Permitted Development Order. This had been done to allow the conversion of previously used, but empty office accommodation into housing to help to meet demand. It has been used by a landowner to apply to develop three sites at Parklands Business Park. DPC opposed the move but WCC have chosen not to fight the application. NL-B agreed that the way the relaxed legislation now works it is very difficult to oppose, but we have a situation where 24 homes – 10% of the DNP target allocation could be built on top of the planned allocations. The problems are (a) they will be in an area which the SG have ruled as unsustainable, as it is removed from the village centre (b) they will discourage business from coming to Parklands (perhaps encourage them leaving) but worst (c) it undermines the DNP work. So far NLB/TD has written to Brandon Lewis MP (Minister) George Hollingbery MP, Miranda Pearce (our contact at DCLG) and Simon Finch (Head of Development Control at WCC). The letter has also been submitted to the Hampshire Association of Local Councils (and onwards to the National Association) but the only response has been to re-iterate the policy and there seems to be little support for our position. The Planning Committee of DPC will discuss the issue soon.

#### 142/13NPSG Arrangements for Examination

The Examiner of our choice, Chris Collinson has been appointed by WCC. He has requested that responses made to WCC should be passed to him in small groups, not left to the end as a huge volume of work. TD was asked to check the timetable which PA planned out to be possible before Christmas. IT was reported that TD has already been in contact with Electoral Services at WCC to ensure that they are 'in the loop'.

#### 143/13NPSG Promoting the Referendum

(i) It was agreed that the expense of having the UPDATE 1 composed professionally by Bishops (the DPC's usual printers) was well worth the cost and the use of colour in particular had made the content readable and attractive.

(ii) It was agreed that a further edition, UPDATE 2, will be produced during the Autumn, with a further UPDATE 3 used to promote voting in the referendum.

(iii) A further public meeting on every topic *other than Housing* would be held during November. TD to arrange a date on a Thursday. It will take the form of a panel Q&A, and individual conversations offered at the end, but with questions written by those attending and sifted to ensure only questions on Open Space, the Village Centre, local economy etc (i.e. DNP Policies 3 – 8 and Proposals) be used (this will be a role for NR).

(iv) Our presence within the stand taken by DPC at the Denmead Village Show was successful and conversations explaining our position and the Plan had been possible and worthwhile. Thanks were recorded to all who took part.

(v) Other ideas for future engagement were mentioned by PA, including door-knocking and talking to residents particularly in areas which are not heavily involved in the Plan and where we need them to vote positively in the Referendum. It was suggested by PS that this

might not be productive during wintertime and difficult as the daylight hours limited this. It was decided that when UPDATE 3 is delivered the SG members will do some of the delivery in targeted areas, knocking on doors to handover the Update and talking to as many people as we can in that way.

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(I) PA reported that the reviewed and updated Village Design Statement had been completed and was included in the material that had gone to WCC. No further work had been done on the 'Local List' of character sites and spaces but that it could be progressed independently working with the WCC Heritage officer.

NR was thanked for the delicious celebratory 'nibbles' and NL-B/PS for the wine.

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm approximately

(Copies to SG members and Clerk)

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