

Record of meeting of Newenden CLT Steering Group

The Holt, Frogs Hill, 7.15pm 5th October 2017

Present:

Ellen Hannavy-Cousen
Brian Livesey

Richard Gould
Raymond Chitty

Derek Urquhart
Caroline Anderson-Jones

Apologies:

John Tapley

Guests:

Tessa O'Sullivan

Åke Nilson

Discussions and decisions:

- There were no declarations of interest.
- Tessa gave a summary of the findings of the Housing Needs Survey in her draft report.
- There was some discussion concerning the high level of 'affordable' rent (80% of open market rent) and the possibilities of charging social rent (i.e. as charged by councils - 40% to 50% of open market rent). To be able to charge social rent we would need to raise additional funds either from grants or through cross subsidy by building open market dwellings.
- Tessa agreed to attend the Township meeting on 31st October to answer any queries there may be on the methodology of the HNS and her report.
- There was also a discussion about information and comments in the draft report that might lead to identification of individual respondents and families, due to the small sample size in Newenden. Tessa agreed that we should highlight areas of concern and pass the report back to her so she can make amendments where she feels they are necessary.
- Tessa was thanked for her hard work in preparing the survey and the report and then left the meeting.
- A lively discussion ensued concerning whether the final report should be published so all villagers can read it. It was agreed by all that the draft report could not be published as it was not completely anonymised.

- It was agreed that Richard and Åke would review the draft report this weekend and send their comments to Tessa.
- Once we have the final report from Tessa we will again discuss publication.
- Åke agreed to make a minor amendment to the HNS draft report Executive Summary, to remove detail which could have identified a respondent, and publish it on the CLT area of the Newenden website.

The next meeting of the CLT SG will take place at Ellen's on Thursday 12th October at 7.30pm.