

**Minutes of a meeting of the Aldington and Bonnington Neighbourhood Planning Team held at Aldington Village Hall on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllr L Harman (Chair), Cllr R Boulding, G Bryant, S Garrard, and L Guy.

**In attendance:** Peter Setterfield, Parish Clerk

93. **Apologies for absence:**  
A Eardley (Consultant).

94. **Minutes:**  
The minutes of the Neighbourhood Planning Team held on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022 were agreed as a true record.

95. **Update on screening of plan to date:**  
The plan to date was submitted to Ashford Borough Council for screening to ascertain if a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) or a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) are required and for informal feedback on the proposed policies.

It has been confirmed that neither SEA or HRA are required. The only informal comments made by the Borough Council related to some minor adjustments to policies and some of the phrases needed to be made consistent.

The opinion of the Kent Downs AONB has been sought as Aldington lies in the setting of the AONB.

A draft forward for the plan was considered.

96. **Outstanding items:**  
The detailed mapping of the Green Spaces needs to be completed.

97. **Next steps:**  
Once the minor amendments have been made to the policies the plan will be proof checked ready for submission to the Parish Council to seek permission to go to Regulation 14 at the Parish Council meeting scheduled for 12<sup>th</sup> June this will establish the time frame for the 6 week consultation period.

98. **Date of next meeting:**  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2023 at 7.30pm in Aldington Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20pm.