

# Minutes Eversley Neighbourhood Plan Meeting on Thursday 13th November 2025 at 7.30pm

## Venue: Charles Kingsley School

### Attendees

John Chitty (JC), Rosie Twine (RT), Liz Batup (LB), Annie Clarke (AC), Sarah Allen (SA), Karim Souissi (KS), Malcolm Benjamin (MB), Niel Rickard (NR), Ed Dixon (ED), Patricia Lambert (PL), Sally Plank (SP)

Guest – Dave Chapman – Locality (DC)

### 1. Apologies for absence

Fiona Dixon (FD), Sandra Miller (SM), Wendy Lewis-Nelson (WLN)

### 2. Update on Meeting with Hart District Council - JC /LB

JC/DC & LB met with Christine from Hart DC. Formally requested allocated housing number as there is no Hart Plan until 2028 – (not realistic according to DC). A ball park figure of 190 for next 15 years but is unofficial.

Call for sites continues – only 2 so far (which are Firgrove & Hollybush) – the deadline may be extended past January.

Rural exception houses can be included in our number.

### 3. Recap about Neighbourhood Plan Process – DC

DC spent some time explaining how he saw Eversley – clear green gap between Eversley & Yateley, established trees, path ways, front gardens, individual houses, latest buildings are sympathetic to area, etc.

DC explained the conversation with Hart regarding Design Code – **this must be our focus**. Hart will adopt a Design Code for Eversley and use it on our behalf with developers. Once adopted developers will need to take this into consideration on how developments should look – eg, nothing over 2 storey / front gardens / tree lined paths / driveways / garages etc.

The NP is not on hold but all effort should be on Design Code – this will be discussed at the next meeting.

DC showed how the process for a Design Code should be:

- Map the area showing conservation areas / listed buildings / ancient trees
- Divide the area and volunteers physically walk the roads describing the look (**DC will provide a template form to use**). Suggested to use the Leaflet drop areas for this.
- Example of view from Frog & Wicket – description of buildings / landscape / bushes / paths / depth of paths etc
- Start with the Conservation Areas
- Everyone gets together to discuss their area and to use common language
- Workshops with community – public sessions (ask the right questions) – get feedback on our Design Code – this should be a Saturday to get as many of the community to attend as possible – maybe 3 in a day. The Community **needs** to buy into this.
- Engage with the young in the community – although not sure how to do this – potentially go to Cricket / Football Clubs and Schools

DC showed an example of a Design Code – 62 pages – lots of photographs included – JC expressed concern we were not up to this – DC said the group is – get a draft together and then get it assessed by a consultant. This will be cheaper and if rubber stamped by a known Consultant, then HDC will look more favourably on it.

Assets of the Community need to be registered with the LA:  
Sports Association / Pony Club Field / Community Coffee / Rugby Club etc

Future developments will need to be in keeping – ultimately the Design Code will have a huge influence and can be completed before the NP. Should be completed by February/March.

Development funds were discussed – Section 106 – where these should be spent – footpaths / cycleways / key assets such as school / doctors / post office.

The NHP must specify what the infrastructure we need and it should be costed. DC would expect this to be a big list.

Priority for the NHP is Green Spaces – DC & ED had a discussion on how this should be done

#### 4. Community Survey update – JC

JC updated on survey – 126 responses so far – three printed copies – two have been returned. Although survey closes on 30/11 themes are already showing on the responses.

- Community Spirit
- Speeding Traffic
- HGV's

45 – 59 age group is the most responses

Majority saying area is not suitable for 50+ houses

From the housing needs section – 44 people will be looking for accommodation in the area.

Business survey has not worked – NR will email and contact some businesses from the list LB has. Should concentrate on well known businesses (Collards / Eversley Storage / Pubs / Hotel etc)

SA commented some of the businesses on the published list are not actually Eversley but close by.

LB needs the Tiny URL for the business survey to add to the email.

#### Formulate a plan to analyse the data

DC said we should analyse the big areas – Design / Traffic / Transport / Facilities  
Everyone should look at the results and report their findings at next meeting.

#### Formulate a plan to communicate the key themes and findings

**TO BE DISCUSSED AT DECEMBER MEETING**

5. How should we use the Socio-economic and demographic data, Links circulated 3/11/25 - DC/JC

**Not discussed**

6. Structure of the Neighbourhood Plan – All

**Not discussed**

7. Open discussion about the next steps – All

4<sup>th</sup> December meeting – concentrate on Survey & Design Code  
15<sup>th</sup> January meeting – discuss Workshop

8. AOB

**N/A**

9. Date of next meeting

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm Venue TBA