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Meeting of the Steering Group for the Ainstable Neighbourhood development Plan

held at the Heather Glen Hotel at 7:30pm on Tuesday 11th September 2018.

Present: Cllr N Vear (Chairman); Cllr H Bellis; Cllr D Smith; Cllr M Robinson; Cllr H Proud

In attendance: Louise Kirkup (Kirkwells); Kimberley Lawson (Clerk)

## **Minutes**

- 1. Apologies were received from Cllr A Ritchie and Cllr G Proud
- 2. The Chairman reported that the Clerk has been successful in gaining a grant from Locality to cover the costs of the preparation of the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) and that the parish council has been able to engage Kirkwells to assist with this.
- 3. Louise Kirkup presented the first draft of the Planning Policy Assessment (PPA), which she has prepared based on information provided by the Clerk, including the most recent Parish Plan, and other information in the public domain including geological and wildlife analysis. This document will be updated throughout the NDP process.
- 4. The members discussed with Louise at some length ideas for the content of the NDP, the nature of development that may be needed in the parish, and work that is needed to prepare an Issues and Options document.

**Action**: Members of the Steering Group to undertake Character Assessment work for the settlements within the parish.

- 5. Louise outlined the process and timetable for the next phases of work:
  - Preparation of Issues and Options and informal consultation Oct Dec 2018
  - Preparation of first draft plan for informal consultation Jan March 2019
  - Informal consultation on first draft plan March April 2019.

The plan will then be revised for formal (6 weeks Reg 14) consultation in Spring / Summer 2019, and should be submitted to Eden DC in Autumn 2019.

6. Date of the next meeting – TBC

The meeting closed at 21.00