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 EWHURST PARISH COUNCIL WITH ELLENS GREEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.
 Minutes of an EXTRAORDINARY REMOTE MEETING of the Parish Council

 held at 6.00 pm on Tuesday 6th April 2021

Present:Cllr V Henry (in the chair), Cllrs J Bloomfield, N Clowes, J Lilley, X Riley, M White
I member of the public

In attendance: The Clerk Mrs J Cadman

- 054 (2021) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Cllr Mitchell
- 055 (2021) **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**. None were made.

056 (2021) ADJOURNMENT: -

The member of the public made the following statement:

"A lot of hard work has clearly been done to rectify the many shortcomings in the 2019 version of the NP and it has cost a lot of extra money. Thanks must go for this work to Cllr Riley and the two lots of consultants employed since the 2019 consultation and most recently the steering group of parish councillors. I'd also like to thank the PC for giving me, and any other residents who knew this was going on, sight of this version of the new NP ahead of this meeting.

It's a shame that councillors have had such a small window over the Easter weekend in which to view this new document and to fully take on board what they as councillors are endorsing and asking the community to comment on. Perhaps the reason for such time pressure will be made clear when the agenda item is reached. I suspect the community will gasp in surprise that Regulation 14 has to be re-run and at the radically changed new version of the Plan, given that there has been no real community engagement since the 2019 consultation. So I hope you have a good communication strategy for communicating why this is happening and that strategy does not try to gloss over the fact that the first draft plan was not fit for purpose.

Because at the end of the day the consultation statement that goes to Waverley at Reg 15, the next stage, will have to be an honest, open and evidence based account of the community engagement and consultation process from start to finish.

Finally, could I also ask how soon the Parish Council plans to report back to the community on the comments received at the 2019 consultation and to publish a report on that consultation."

The Chairman and Vice Chairman (also the Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group) acklowedged the statement and confirmed that Regulation 14 is to be re-run due to comments from residents on the previous Draft Plan, which had also been found flawed by Waverley Borough Council.

057 (2021) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:

The Chairman endorsed the thanks to Cllr Riley.

Cllr Clowes, Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, explained that it had been intended this evening to seek members' approval to the draft Plan, as circulated. However, as it had become clear that there needed to be some changes to the maps, and to incorporate some changes suggested over the previous weekend, it had been decided to postpone the approval and to start the Regulation 14 consultation on the 14th April.

Cllr Clowes confirmed with members the points they had raised and agreed the necessary changes.

It was agreed to proceed by advising the parish of the start date of the consultation, and the website link to the document through banners, posters, the ebulletin, pews notices and the website.

058 (2021) EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL: Tuesday 13th April, by conference call, 6pm. NEXT FULL MEETING ON THE PARISH COUNCIL: Monday 19th April 2021, BY CONFERENCE CALL.