BENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mrs Louisa Thomson
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Neal Day - Chairman, Nikki White – Vice Chairman, Veronica Parker, Scott Neville, Simon Lane, Christian Browning and David Eyre-Brook

MINUTES OF PLANNING MEETING

18th February 2025

1. **Apologies for Absence**
   Apologies were received and accepted from Scott Neville, Christian Browning and Clerk Louisa Thomson.

2. **Confirmation of Minutes - Resolved**
   The Minutes of the Planning meeting held on 9th July 2024 copies previously circulated, **Proposed as a true record by Nikki White, Seconded by Veronica Parker and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED and signed by Chairman Neal Day.**

3. **Public Participation** – No public participation.

4. **East Hampshire District Council Draft Local Plan Housing Allocation**
   Indicative housing targets for Bentworth 2024-2042 are five annually, eighty-five in total.
   Council to agree comments to feedback to EHDC.

   Bentworth Parish Council wish to raise concerns at revised housing targets. The LAA shows 3 Sites in Bentworth. All are greenfield and should not be developed.
   Government Housing targets have increased by 200% however EHDC indicative housing targets 2024-2042 for Bentworth have increased from 10 in the most recent draft local plan of 2023 to a figure of 85. This is an 800% increase. We would appreciate an explanation.

   Proposed Veronica Parker, Seconded Nikki White, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to suspend Standing Order for the arrival of late members of the public.

   Proposed Nikki White, Seconded David Eyre-Brook, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders.

5. **Planning Applications** – Council considered one planning application, their comments to be forwarded to East Hampshire District Council.

   37737/015 Wivelrod House Wivelrod Road, Bentworth **NO OBJECTION**
   Installation of a stand-alone, south facing, ground mounted solar array comprising 30x 450w panels laid out in two rows with a small trench for the installation of cabling from the existing oil tank where the Inverter and Batteries will be mounted to the solar panels.
   Proposed Veronica Parker, Seconded Nikki White, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: Bentworth Parish Council have no objection to this application.

Close of Meeting – The Chair thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 19.55pm

Signed:……
Chair Bentworth Parish Council

Date: 29th July 2025