MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CHILTERNS CONSERVATION BOARD PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2012 AT THE CHILTERNs CONSERVATION BOARD OFFICE, STATION ROAD, CHINNOR, COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM AND CONCLUDING AT 12.30 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Member Appointing Body

Appointed by Local Authorities

Cllr Brian Norman Three Rivers District Council
Cllr Bill Storey (observing) Hertfordshire County Council

Appointed by the Secretary of State

Bettina Kirkham (Chairman)
John Willson

Elected by Parish Councils

Cllr Margaret Jarrett Hertfordshire Parish Councils
Cllr Barbara Wallis Buckinghamshire Parish Councils

OTHERS PRESENT

Co-opted Members

Gill Gowing Strategic Planning Adviser to The Chiltern Society

Officers

Colin White Chilterns Conservation Board

Others

Deirdre Hansen Minute taker

Member Appointing Body

60. Apologies

Councillors Roger Emmett, Chris Richards and Alan Walters, Mike Fox (Chairman of the Board) and Mike Stubbs, The National Trust.
61. **Election of Chairman**
   Bettina Kirkham was unanimously elected as Chairman until the Board’s next Annual General Meeting and took the Chair.

62. **Public Question Time**
   There were no members of the public present.

63. **Declarations of Interest**
   No declarations of interest in items on the agenda were made.

64. **Minutes of the previous meeting**
   The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record after the following amendments were made: item 52 in the last sentence ‘it’ was deleted; item 54 in line 2 of the third paragraph ‘untidy site’ was replaced by ‘Untidy Site’ and item 54 in the penultimate sentence ‘and’ was deleted.

65. **Matters Arising from the minutes**
   1. Item 52: the Planning Officer has sent a note to the local planning authorities detailing which planning applications the Board wishes to be consulted on.
   2. Item 54: the question was raised following the student research project if there were any examples of S215 notices. There was no evidence that such notices had been issued within the AONB and it was felt that issuing them was not necessarily the right thing to do.

66. **High Speed 2 – update**
   The Planning Officer updated the Committee about the latest developments in connection with a possible high speed rail route through the Chilterns.
   The Committee was particularly informed about:
   - Feedback from the third round of Community Forum meetings. A continuing problem is that information on agenda topics is not provided prior to the meetings making participation in debate and comments at the meeting difficult.
   - Feedback from the first Buckinghamshire planning forum meeting organised by HS2.
   - The Board response to the draft Code of Construction Practice.
   - Feedback from the 51M noise forum meeting.
   - Tunnel issues.
   - The Board’s meeting with HS2 Ltd to discuss mitigation.
• Feedback from the Buckinghamshire Mitigation and Compensation Panel.
• The Judicial Reviews which were about to commence in the High Court.

A thorough discussion of the Planning Officer’s report took place.

1. **The Committee NOTED the report.**

67. **AONB Management Plan Review**

The Planning Officer reported to the members that the current AONB Management Plan runs from 2008-2013. A review of the plan has commenced and some key contextual issues have been identified. The Committee’s views were sought in connection with suggested revisions to the issues, policies and actions for the emerging Management Plan. The plan is a plan for the Chilterns AONB. The actions are of a strategic nature, reviewing the plan should be meaningful to a wide audience.

The Planning Officer gave a slide show presentation of the many issues concerning the Management Plan.

It was noted that members of the planning committee interested in taking part in boundary review meetings should notify the Planning Officer.

Extracts that had been forwarded were discussed in depth and suggestions, updates and comments were noted and would be taken forward to officers’ meetings that would be taking place.

The Committee was encouraged to review the other parts of the plan outside the meeting and to send any comments to officers of the Board.

Progress with the review will be reported to subsequent meetings of the Planning Committee and Members were asked for input as and when required.

1. **The Committee APPROVED the retention of the existing issues, policies and actions as detailed.**
2. **The Committee APPROVED the proposed additional issues, policies and actions as detailed.**
3. **The Committee APPROVED the proposed changes to the issues, policies and actions as detailed.**
4. **The Committee NOTED the programme for the production of the Management Plan 2014-19.**
5. **The Committee NOTED that Committee members should contact the Planning Officer with any additional comments by Christmas 2012.**
12.25 John Willson and Gill Gowing left the meeting
12.29 Brian Norman left the meeting
12.30 The meeting was no longer quorate and as such closed by the Chairman.

All other agenda items to be carried forward to the next meeting

68. **Date of the next meeting**

   **Thursday 14th February 2013** at the office of the Chilterns Conservation Board, 90 Station Rd, Chinnor commencing at 10.00 am.

   **Future meetings:** Thursday 9th May, Thursday 11th September and Wednesday 27th November 2013.

The meeting closed 12.30

The Chairman .................................................. Date ..........................