NEWS from the SEEND PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP Update

The past month has been busy with many issues where the interface between the Lye Field Trust, the Parish Council and the developing Seend Parish Neighbourhood Plan overlap.

Recently a group calling themselves the Seend Neighbourhood Action Group (SNAG), have come into existence. This has caused considerable confusion amongst parishioners as a leaflet has been distributed, which presented itself as a survey and included a question that referred to the Neighbourhood Plan.

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group wish to make it clear that it was not the author of this document and we were not consulted on its creation.

Steve Vaux has resigned from the Steering Group. The SG wish to thank Steve for the large amount of work he has undertaken whilst a member over the past two years, particularly in relation to our web page.

We are on the lookout for someone with IT skills to act as our website manager and would be very pleased to hear from you if you think you could take that on, or if you know someone who might. Please contact Georgina A'Bear, the Chair, on 01380 828288.

You will probably be aware that several sites, other than the two SHLAA already identified(land to the north of the Lye and that at the top of School Lane), have been put forward by their owners as available for housing development. Ascertaining the suitability of these sites needs expertise not available in the Steering Group, so we will be employing professional help to complete that work.

Once completed the Steering Group will be in a position to survey parishioners as to their preferences regarding the sites deemed suitable, and give reasons why any that are not have failed. The land behind the Lye, where Aster presently has a proposal to develop 44 homes, will be one of the sites. It will be made quite clear that any survey we produce comes from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, and the results will form part of the document that, if successful at a final referendum, will become a Statutory Document that aims to ensure this Parish develops in the way you have chosen.

You will find the names of the Committee members and links to further information about the complex process of creating a Neighbourhood Plan on the website.<u>www.seendparishplan.org</u>The next Committee Meeting will be held in the Pavilion at 7.30pm. on 27th. July. The meetings are open to all parishioners.

Carola Thorpe on behalf of the S.P.N.P. Steering Group