<u>NEWS from the SEEND PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP</u> <u>Update</u>

We gain one, we lose two: after 2 years on the Steering Group Sue McCulloch decided it was time to resign, whilst Carole Vince became a member by signing the Constitution. Many thanks to Sue for her endeavours on behalf of the Neighbourhood Plan. As Sue was Vice Chair, we have a vacancy for that role.

Unfortunately Tony Trodd has decided he cannot manage the role of Secretary and Minute taker any more, so we have a further vacancy. He deserves thanks for bringing clarity to our minutes, which is a difficult task if you are also trying to be part of the discussions. Ideally we would like someone to volunteer who would be happy to just focus on Minute taking.

Please do come forward if you think you could take on either of those roles, or even just be a member of the Steering Group. Georgina A'Bear (Chair) would be delighted to hear from you for an exploratory chat (828288). We do need more members.

Georgina A'Bear and Carola Thorpe are continuing to investigate the merits of suitable consultants, and will soon be able to present the Group with our shortlist for discussion.

Vicky Burvill (our WC Link Officer) attended the October meeting and praised the Steering Group's workthus far. She had useful things to say about how we should reduce the proposed number of Visions and Objectives (in the Draft Plan) and make them more appropriate to our specific location and needs. She also spoke about the need to be clear as to the pros and cons of each proposed development site, and to show how the latter might be mitigated where possible. These points tally with some of those from the Consultants we have approached.

Liz Simes has been helping us by evaluating each site in a professional manner and has nearly finished this work.

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 meetings are open to all parishioners and we welcome your involvement.

This month's meeting will be the last of 2017, and the next will be on Thursday 25th January 2018 at 7.30p.m. in the upstairs room in the Community Centre. Thereafter the meetings will return to the Pavilion.

We wish all of you who follow our efforts to create a Neighbourhood Plan an enjoyable holiday and Happy Christmas.

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