

Draft Minutes of the St Hilary Parish Neighbourhood Development Planning Steering Group Meeting of 12/08/20

Present: Martin Searle; Geoff Williamson; Mike Ryan; Peter Tunstall-Behrens; Denis Reed. Apologies: Alison Kidd; Jane Howells

1. Perranuthnoe Draft Plan

This was generally seen as an extremely detailed and thorough document that was linked to a wide range of evidence sources. There was an open admission of the cumulative negative effect of a long series of planning failures in Perranuthnoe Parish and an assertive approach to changing matters for the better. There was much in this document that could serve as a guide for our plan although it was felt that we needed a shorter and more accessible approach with, for example, greater use of links to evidence sources rather than extensive verbatim quotes. An index and executive summary would have been helpful

2. Draft Policies

It was agreed to circulate to every household by post including a reply-paid envelope for feedback. This should be done through Roger Calfe. We needed to ensure that all relevant questions were included although in line with the advice from our consultant we would not include a question on settlement boundaries but might need to consult with specific households where they were to be significantly affected. The results would be analysed by the steering group if possible

3. Settlement Boundaries

There was some discussion as to whether we should have drawn settlement boundaries through gardens rather than around the boundaries of properties. In many cases it would probably not make much of a difference as to the likelihood of a new building appearing beyond the existing line, but there could be a risk with extensive gardens encroaching into the surrounding countryside. This related to the point raised in the Perranuthnoe draft plan that a settlement boundary did not equate to a development boundary. However, the general view was that we should follow property boundaries in setting our settlement boundaries and that Geoff would contact Cornwall Council for a new set of maps reflecting this

4. Policy Evidence

It was agreed that individual members of the Steering Group would take the lead for acquiring evidence in the relevant areas where more was needed. Some initial suggestions were made for each area

5. Plan Co-ordination

Mike Ryan agreed to act as the focal point for all work done on the Development Plan with the aim of ensuring definitive version control and avoiding duplicated or lost work

6. The next step

Peter, Geoff and Mike to work collectively at length from 10:00 on Monday 17 August to help us move the plan to the next stage