

**Broadsands, Churston and Galmpton Neighbourhood Forum
Meeting
28/04/2022 7pm on Zoom**

Agenda:

1. Progress to date
2. Copythorne Rd Proposal
3. Paignton Neighbourhood Forum
4. Proposal from Torbay Council re. NF
5. AOB.

Attendees:

Karen Kennedy Chair
Judith Mills (Working Group)
Jennifer Walter (Secretary and Working Group)
Kathleen Lund (Working Group)
John Triance
Nick Walter
Julie Beaumont

Progress to date

Our contract with Dave Chetwyn (Neighbourhood Planning Consultant) expired at the end of March. There has been slow progress with writing the Neighbourhood Plan by the working group due to inexperience. It is unfortunate that the road to referendum was so arduous which means that, followed by the collapse of our Land Supply resulting in Inglewood, has resulted in the loss of the experience we had gained in the previous 10 years.

We hope to take the updated plan to referendum early next year. AECOM has been engaged to carry out site assessments on our behalf so that we are able to allocate sites. Dave Chetwyn has been asked to quote for further assistance in this current financial year which may mean we will exceed our budget.

Copythorne Rd Proposal

Three fields within the AONB adjoining Copythorne Rd opposite North Boundary Rd, owned by the Churston Barony have been put forward for development. We had a discussion regarding the merits of suggesting to the agents that the Forum may be more inclined to consider a much smaller development which did not encroach so far into the AONB. Concern was raised regarding building in the AONB though acknowledged that North Boundary Road was already built in the AONB. It was decided to liaise with Brixham Town Council for their opinion due to this application having a greater affect on Brixham.

Paignton NF

The executive of the Paignton NF have all resigned. Catherine Fritz is acting as holding Chair whilst exploring if anyone will come forward to take on the roles. Torbay Council are keen that all our Neighbourhood Plans are completed by spring next year, however the future of Paignton Neighbourhood Forum is looking grim.

Torbay Council proposal

A meeting is to be held next week to see what help will be given to the Neighbourhood Forums. The Chairs of the Broadsands, Churston and Galmpton NF, Paignton NF and Torquay NF have asked for:

1. Training for officers regarding the implementation and legal status of Neighbourhood Plans
2. Annual Budget for ad hoc consultation to assist with representation at Planning meetings for the more complex applications.

3. A commitment to maintaining an adequate land supply.KK mentioned that backbenchers in the Government are currently advocating to having the 5 year land supply advisory rather than mandatory.