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**MINUTES of FEBRUARY 8TH 2019 MEETING of the
RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE**
held at 5.00 pm at 6 Grosvenor Road, Ripley, DE5 3JF.

Present: Cllr S.D. Freeborn (Chair) and Cllrs A. Bridge, Mrs S. Emmas-Williams and D. Williams.
D. Townsend (Planning Clerk).

In attendance: Cllrs R. Emmas-Williams and I. Fisher.

080219/1 To Receive Apologies for Absence – Cllrs Cox, Holmes and Joyes.

080219/2 Variation of Order of Business – None.

080219/3 Declaration of Members Interests – None.

080219/4 Public Speaking

Cllr Fisher spoke regarding the Green Belt Review, and reported that a Protest Group had been set up against the proposed 'de-villaging' of Marehay. There was concern that if this proposal was carried, it may alter the outcome of future planning proposals within the confines of the existing village.

Cllr R. Emmas-Williams stated that he objected to all proposals to build on green belt land in Ripley.

080219/5 To discuss current Planning Applications and make comments.

NONE

080219/6 Greenbelt Review

Councillors discussed the Green Belt Review which was currently being carried out by Amber Valley Borough Council. It was reported that the MP, Nigel Mills, who had stated his opposition to any development on greenbelt land, would be present at a meeting in Marehay on 28th February 2019.

RESOLVED that in the event of any proposals being approved by Amber Valley Borough Council, the Town Council write to oppose the 'de-villaging' of Marehay, and that any re-classification of green belt land be strongly opposed.

080219/7 Neighbourhood Plan Review

It was reported that a Review of the Neighbourhood Plan was required due to a number of issues;

- a) A ministerial statement had been issued making it easier for the Planning Authority to disregard the Neighbourhood Plan.
- b) The possible outcomes of the Green Belt Review.
- c) The development of Amber Valley's Local Plan. The latest policy takes precedent, therefore it is important that an updated Neighbourhood Plan is issued after the most recent core strategy document.

Any proposals for the updated Neighbourhood Plan must incorporate the Environmental Plan,

and consideration must be given to where development might take place.
A Consultant will be appointed at the next Council Meeting, and may take 12-18 months to complete.

NOTED

The Meeting closed at 5.35 pm.