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**MINUTES OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 19th April at 8.30PM AT THE WESLEY CENTRE, PADDOCK
WOOD.**

PRESENT: Sarah Hamilton (SH) Meryl Flashman (MF) David Henshaw (DH), Richard Barsley (RB), John Flashman (JF) Jim Large (JL) Andy Mackie (AM) Ann Newman (AN) Mike Ridger(MR) Rebecca Roberts (RR)

In attendance: Cllr Rodney Atkins: Resident and Chairman of PWTC Planning Committee

APOLOGIES:

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15th March 2017 were approved.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mike Ridger was welcomed as a new member of the Steering Group

3. REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS

The next Sports and Recreation meeting will be on 20th April. MR is joining this group.

The Heritage group has met twice and identified key buildings in the area. People will be researching the John Brunt, the Wesley Centre and the Station. Ideas for a policy on Heritage are being compiled.

The Town Centre group is waiting for guidance from FERIA. The idea of having a bus interchange near the station was discussed.

The Green infrastructure group will be meeting next week.

4. COMMUNITY CENTRE UPDATE

There was a 5% return rate of the questionnaire which is considered to be very good. The results are currently being analysed by a professional. A letter is to be sent to the Community Centre Board requesting the analysed data for our next meeting on 17th May. Action SH

A draft business plan is being produced which will include costs and possible methods of funding. The Town Council has been approached by Officers of the Borough Council about

the possibility of additional funding which might be available if a deal could be done involving Putlands Leisure Centre, The Day Centre and the Wesley Centre. The Town Council has agreed that independent valuations of these properties should be obtained.

An architect's brief is also being prepared.

It is proposed that the Community Centre will be run by a village hall management committee which will save VAT. There was discussion about who might be on this committee. Further community engagement is essential.

There was a lengthy discussion about the project which resulted in a request that the Governance structure be put on Town Council agenda for May. Action CW.

DH to ask the Community Centre Board about the possibility of requesting donations from landowners who will benefit financially from building in Paddock Wood.

5. REPORT ON STEERING GROUP VISIT TO TWBC ON 6TH April 2017

Please see attached

6. NEXT STEPS

Sustainability Appraisal/ Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) - This item was deferred to the next meeting

7. A.O.B.

There was a request to review the venue and time of meeting. SH to speak to Ruth Wilshire about this.

A marketing report and invoice have been received from Sarah Mewett.

A Carnival stand is to be booked for 8th July.

8. DATE OF NEXT STEERING GROUP MEETING: Wednesday 17th May 2017, 8.30pm

9. Dates and times of future Steering Group meetings: 21st June, 19th July, 16th August, 20th September at 8.30pm.....

Meryl Flashman 20th April 2017