Durham City Neighbourhood Plan Working Party 8 January 2019, Miners' Hall

1. Welcome and apologies

Present: John Ashby, Sue Childs, Roger Cornwell (Chair), Ann Evans, Peter Jackson, John Lowe, David Miller, John Pacey, Matthew Phillips, Angela Tracy.

Apologies: Pippa Bell.

2. Notes of working party meeting on 11 December 2018

a) Accuracy: The notes were agreed and Sue will post them on the website.

b) Matters arising:

David reported on work that he and Angela had done on *Looking Forward*. Revisions had been received from John A and Pippa. **Matthew** will revise the Transport initiatives. **David, Angela** and **John** L will meet on Thursday to review progress. **David** will distribute the latest version. **All** are asked to submit updates in time for next week's meeting. It is important to specify the nature of public engagement for each initiative. John A reported that on Friday the Parish Council will consider the inclusion of £10,000 in its budget for 2019/20 to promote initiatives.

3. Any matters to report from:

a) Parish Council

- Roger reported that there has been a very slow response to the boundary changes
 consultation and urged all to respond. John A reported that he had distributed leaflets to all
 addresses in the additional Gilesgate area.
- John A reported that the budget for the Neighbourhood Plan had been prepared and he thanked Sue for providing detailed costings.
- Roger reported that *Looking Forward* would be presented to the Parish Council.

b) AECOM

We have had no report as AECOM is waiting for further details from DCC about its views on Observatory Hill. Sue has already provided the necessary details and **John A** will contact AECOM and Carole Dillon to expedite this. It seems to be the only matter holding up their report.

4. Timetables for Neighbourhood Plan and County Local Plan

John L had attached an updated timetable to the notes of the 11 December meeting. Due to the delay in receiving the AECOM report and continuing uncertainty about the County Plan, a further revision of the timetable would await developments.

5. Consultation Statement

There were no matters to report specifically about the *Consultation Statement*, but it was **agreed** that a draft should be prepared telling the story to date to use during the forthcoming Regulation 14 consultation. This would explain how we had responded to the previous consultation.

7. Basic Conditions Statement

John L reported that Carole Dillon had agreed to check our draft BCS in January and to attend a meeting on 22 or 29 January. **John L** will prepare a draft for next week to prepare for this meeting. He will remind DCC that they agreed to provide advice about conformity with EU regulations.

7. Plans for the Regulation 14 Consultation

- Sue had distributed a revised and simplified version of the questionnaire.
- John A displayed the posters we had prepared for the previous consultation and reported that other materials were still available.
- It was agreed that it was important to explain the reasons for this additional consultation.
- It is important to emphasise that this is the Parish Council's consultation and is required for legal reasons.
- We need to be positive about the value of this consultation and highlight the fact that we have responded fully to the previous consultation. The red/green version of the plan and the draft *Consultation Statement* on the web will be evidence of this.
- It was **agreed** that consultation events should be held from 3-7 pm.

8. Any other business: None

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 15 January 2019 at 9.00 am at the Miners' Hall.