

Meeting Extend Exercise Group 19.05.16

Meeting

Meeting held in the large hall in Herstmonceux Village Hall

Attendees

14 members of Extend

Comments

- The clerk to the Steering Group explained that the Plan would not be recommending any sites for development and policies would concentrate on issues such as design, layout of sites, size of dwellings, green spaces, business opportunities, provision of broadband and better telephone services. A booklet of photographs of house design was circulated to the members.
- Members expressed their concern about some of the designs of more recent housing in Herstmonceux and felt that future developments should be more in keeping with a Sussex rural village.
- The problem of the lack of housing suitable for older residents was raised e.g. rental, to buy or assisted accommodation
- Support for the villages shops and services, although the poor bus service (hourly service until 7pm and nothing on Sundays) was raised as a problem.

Key Points and Action

1. Housing for older residents, both for sale, for rental and assisted housing should be built in the parish.
2. Efforts to improve the bus service should be made with the service providers.
3. Businesses in the parish should be supported in every way.