Dore Neighbourhood Plan

Conservation Working Group

24 April 2016

1. Present; David Crosby, Gail Crosby, Roger Kent, Jacqui Roote, John Woodhead.

2. Apologies; Colin Ross, Christopher Pennell, Peter Bower, Dorne Coggins.

3. David Crosby was unanimously elected as chairman and John Woodhead agreed to take notes.

4. The proposed Dore Road/Abbeydale South Conservation Area.

The group reviewed a revised proposal, including the stone Victorian villas on the eastern side of Dore Road below Ryecroft Glen Road, the Abbeydale Road South frontage and the listed Licensed Victuallers' Almshouses. The group agreed not to include the former vicarage site, Abbeydale Hall, the Tennis Club frontage or Water Lane. It was felt the modern development of Abbeydale Hall and the former vicarage sites had damaged their potential for inclusion in the proposed area. The group noted that the historic 'greenway' of Water Lane was proposed to be protected as a Local Green Space.

The revised area, based on Unitary Development Plan Policy BE18, was felt to be more coherent, and could be justified as being of special architectural or historical interest. The historical significance of the revised proposal could also be supported by Roger Kent's latest research on the area.

5. Consultation with residents; The group agreed the Steering Group should arrange a meeting with residents and owners of the properties to outline the proposal.

6. Working Group Workshop 5.00pm 25 May in the Methodist Church Hall; The group agreed to attend the workshop in order to involve as wide an involvement of members of the public as possible in the plan preparation. Display materials, including the latest draft Values and Objectives and Conservation Section would be available for discussion.

7. Public Exhibition and Consultation on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan 24 September; The group noted the proposed consultation would include a display of the entire draft document and questionnaires.