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**Sent:** 11 March 2015 19:22

**To:** Tony Blackburn

Cc: Cllr Anne Hawkesworth; Brian Mann; bryan websdale; Neil Varley;

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**Subject:** Urgent - reference incorrect comments made on 11/3/15 at Inspection of Bradford

Plan

Atten Tony Blackburn – Programme Officer Date 11/Mar/ 2015

**Good Evening Tony** 

I did not attend the sessions of the Inspector today (March 11) but it has been brought to my attention that certain comments made by Mr Clive Brook of Johnson Brook may have implied acceptance by Ilkley Parish Council of housing figures in Ilkley substantially in excess of the 800 indicated in the current Bradford Plan before the Inspector.

<u>Should such comments have been made, then I am duty bound to point out, on behalf of Ilkley Parish Council that this is not the case and not correct..</u>

As an Ilkley Parish Councillor, I lead the council on the development of the Ilkley Neighbourhood Plan. As such our committee has had meetings with a number of developers to establish their views in relation to sites and potential development in Ilkley..... and Mr Brook and his team were one of these.

The terms and conditions associated with such meetings were clearly defined to each developer in advance and a copy of my email to Ms Becky Lomas, an associate of Mr Brook, with whom this meeting was arranged is to be found below.

In this regard I would refer you to my email to Becky Lomas of 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at 08.14, and to paragraph 3 contained in that email (below) which states that we, the council, cannot endorse, support or object to any individual development......but will be happy to listen to views.....at the proposed meeting.

It is therefore disingenuous – and unacceptable to Ilkley Parish Council – to imply any support, endorsement or acceptance by Ilkley Parish Council of any plans, proposals or housing numbers which may have been put proposed by any of the developers who attended this series of meetings.

The position of Ilkley Parish Council is quite clearly defined in this email of Jan 30<sup>th</sup> and has not changed . You may refer – for clarification - to any of those who attended this meeting and whose email addresses are to be found above (Excl Cllr Hawksworth who did not attend these meetings).

Should Mr Brook be found to have implied acceptance of either his proposals or of any housing number over and above that defined in the current Bradford Local Plan, Ilkley Parish Council would find this regrettable and ask him to issue a corrective statement in public and to the Inspector without delay.

I would ask you to bring this email and the email of Jan 30<sup>th</sup> found below, to the Inspector without delay and on behalf of Ilkley Parish Council would like to be advised of any corrective statement issued since as a public body we are concerned with accuracy and transparency.

Thank you for your help and support.

Best regards

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From: paul kitching [mailto:paulk152@gmail.com]

Sent: 30 January 2015 08:14

To: Becky Lomas Cc: Brian Mann

Subject: RE: Meeting Request with Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Hi Becky

We are happy to meet to talk about your general view and attitudes to development within the boundaries of Ilkley Parish and in relation to Ilkley SHLAA maps - the latest of which is May 2013 - because we are seeking a perspective from the viewpoint of the developer.

We will be happy to listen to your views and have a general discussion and feed general views into the development of the Neighbourhood Plan

We ask you to note that we are not in the position where, as a parish council, we can endorse or support or object to any individual development

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Cc: Lindsay Ramsden; Richard Murphy; jon@golbyandluck.co.uk; Clive Brook

**Subject:** Meeting Request with Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Dear Paul and Brian,

Johnson Brook Planning Consultants act on behalf of a number of landowners and developers across Ilkley and are someway through preparing a plan for the Ilkley Area. Much

of the early work was carried out prior to the Parish Council's decision to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan. We did seek early engagement with the Parish Council but were advised to wait until more progress had been made. We are very keen to have a meeting with you and your colleague members of the steering group as soon as possible with a view to achieving as much cooperative working as possible. The team working with Johnson Brook include landscape architects and transport consultants and we will be happy to share with you work we have done to date.

It would be useful to explore areas of agreement prior to both parties being represented at the Core Strategy Examination in Public. As you will be aware the Inspector is asking very specific questions on Wharfedale and Ilkley in particular and it would be useful to see if we could prepare some form of framework statement of common ground prior to the deadline of the 20<sup>th</sup> February.

We look forward to hearing from you with some suitable times and dates.

Kind regards,

Becky

## **Becky Lomas**

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Please note we have moved offices and land-line number. Mobile telephone numbers and email address' remain the same.

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