	<p style="text-align: center;">MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY REGENERATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CLAREMONT HOUSE ON</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday 1st September 2025 Start 2.00pm</p>
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Present: Councillors P Johns (Chair), C Harris, S Hillier and T Saunders

Also In Attendance: Mr M Greenfield – Town Clerk & Minute Taker
Mr H Sleeman – Business Administrator

Members of the Public: One member of the public was present

Cllr Johns gave the usual housekeeping announcements.

Open Forum

A member of the public commented that they were concerned about the increased housing that has been identified for Lydney. The concerns identified a lack of appropriate infrastructure and public services to cope with the increased dwellings identified within the Forest of Dean District Council's Local Plan, 2021-2043.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Taylor

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interests.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

To consider approving as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Regeneration Committee held on **Monday 14th April 2025**

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the Regeneration meeting held on Monday 14th April 2025 be accepted as read and correct.

Resolved: Majority Approved

4. **WORKING PARTY**

To consider and decide on recommendations from the Regeneration Working Party.

The Regeneration Working Party met on Tuesday 5th August 2025.

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The Regeneration Working Party recommended the following:

- The Regeneration Committee and Working Party continue to work with Place Studios, who are currently preparing a summary of all data collected during the consultation, along with their recommended changes. Once this summary is reviewed and agreed upon, the Regeneration Committee/Lydney Town Council (LTC) will be able to release a public statement.

Timeline for Submission

- Changes anticipated to be completed by September/October 2025.
- By October 2025, all revised documents will be ready for public display.
- Lydney Town Council to endorse the final version of the plan at the Full Council Meeting on 10th November 2025.
- Plan to be submitted to FoDDC by November 2025.

Post-Submission Timeline

- Regulation 16 consultation will occur 1–2 months post-submission and will remain open for 6 weeks.
- All comments received will be forwarded to the examiner.
- FoDDC will arrange the examination.
- Examination window: Spring–Summer 2026
- Referendum: Expected to take place in Autumn 2026

Chair proposed that the recommendations from the Regeneration Working Party be approved.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

5. FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL – LOCAL PLAN 2021-2043, CONSULTATION - LOCAL PLAN OPTIONS TO DELIVER THE ADDITIONAL HOUSING REQUIREMENT

- 5.1 To review, consider and decide on the submission to the response to the consultation from the Forest of Dean District Council by 30th September 2025.

Following consideration of the Local Plan options, the committee identified a range of housing constraints within the Forest of Dean. It was acknowledged that all potential options are likely to result in adverse impacts on Lydney.

Accordingly, future housing allocations should be directed to locations that demonstrate the least environmental impact, including factors such as traffic, air quality, and sustainable transport connectivity (for example, bus services linking the railway station and bus station).

In addition, such locations must be supported by sufficient public service infrastructure, including sixth form provision and primary healthcare facilities.

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It was proposed and seconded that the Options 1 & 4 of the Forest of Dean District Council Local Plan 2021 – 2043 to Full Council for Monday 8th September 2025.

Resolved: Unanimously Approved

- 5.2 To consider and decide on instructing Place Studios to work with the Regeneration Committee and Regeneration Working Party, to assist in collating a response to the Forest of Dean District Council's (FoDDC) Local Plan 2021-2043, with associated funds being taken from 342 EMR Regeneration

Chair proposed to approve instructing Place Studios to work with the Regeneration Committee and Regeneration Working Party to assist collating a response to the FoDDC Local Plan 2021-2043, associated funds being taken from 342 EMR Regeneration.

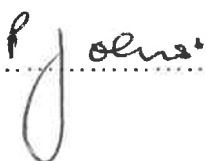
Resolved: Unanimously Approved

6. **DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

To consider date and time of next meeting

Date of next Regeneration Committee meeting to be confirmed

Meeting closed at 2.50pm

Chair 

Date 30/9/25

