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At an Extraordinary Meeting of 26th June 2018, Gotham Parish Council approved the Neighbourhood Plan that was submitted to Rushcliffe Borough Council on the 29th June 2018.

Gotham had a head start in developing the plan due to the wealth of information available from earlier documents and surveys, for example the recent housing survey.

The extensive and thorough consultation that took place during the year when drafting policies in the plan meant that it represents a consensus of the views of the parishioners. At each stage background papers have been produced to show the basis for the key policies and an ecological survey undertaken underpins the selection of one of the key housing sites.

As well as having regard to national planning policy, GPC believe that:

1. the plan contributes to the achievement of sustainable development as set out in the Rushcliffe Core Strategy (2014), especially for Housing and Green Infrastructure

a the Plan is fully compliant with CS policy 3 which states that for other settlements, i.e. Gotham, development should be for local needs only which is described in the accompanying text as through small scale development

b through a thorough analysis of the green infrastructure and rich biodiversity the plan extends the Green Infrastructure policies to an implementation at local level.

2 suggestions and comments from the statutory consultation bodies, Heritage England etc. have been incorporated where appropriate, and that it

3 is compatible with all EU obligations and meets the human rights requirements.

As outlined in the Consultation Statement, consultation with parishioners throughout the process has been thorough and comprehensive and this contribution has been invaluable in setting not only the direction of the policies but also the detail. GPC believe that this extensive consultation will mean that the plan will receive the support of the parishioners in a referendum.