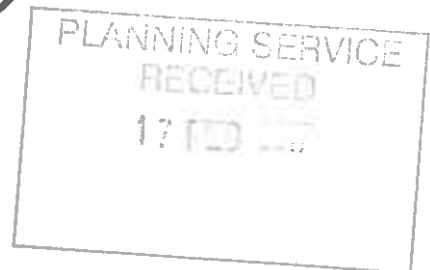




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Dear Mr Caulfield

Neighbourhood Plan – Cullingworth

Following our earlier conversation regarding the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan for Cullingworth I now enclose a copy of the minutes of a councillors' meeting held on 17 August 2016 to discuss the Village Council's position going forward.

I also give below an extract from the minutes of a council meeting held on 7 September 2016:

3445 PORTFOLIO REPORTS: to discuss

b) ENVIRONMENTAL: to discuss:

- 1) **Neighbourhood Plan: It was resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 17 August. The Village Council had originally indicated to Bradford Council its intention to produce a Plan and the clerk suggested that it would be advisable to speak to the Neighbourhood Planning Officer with regard to the recent intention not to go ahead and what that would entail. **It was resolved** that the clerk would make enquiries.

And an extract from the minutes of a council meeting held on 7 October 2016:

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2) **Reply received from the Neighbourhood Planning team:**

Following advice from The Neighbourhood Team Leader **It was resolved** to formally adopt to stop work on the plan, publish the resolution on the website and send a copy and link to Bill Caulfield at Bradford Council.

The above information has been recorded on the Village Council's website: www.cullingworth-village.co.uk

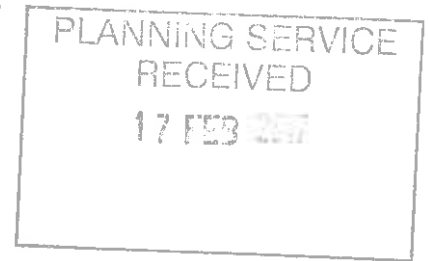
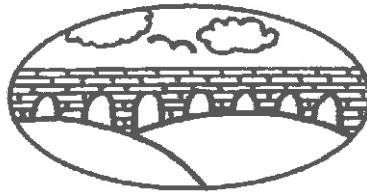
Yours sincerely

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CULLINGWORTH VILLAGE COUNCIL



Minutes of a meeting held on 17 August 2016 to discuss the way forward regarding the production of a Neighbourhood Plan

Present: Cllrs. Martin, Galvin, Ackroyd, Craig, Ahir and the clerk.

Discussion took place regarding whether there was any benefit to the community in producing a Plan:

- It would not prevent loss of Greenbelt in the probability of no other land being available for building within the village.
- There would be no financial benefit through CIL as the large sites in the village were already allocated as building sites, albeit that planning permission had elapsed on the Pets Choice site.
- The Plan could not reflect the wishes of the public in relation to over-development; it would still be subject to planning law.
- The consultation process and production of a Plan would run into thousands and would not gain any advantage in protecting the built environment in relation to future allocation of housing for the village.
- In view of the amount of work and money needed to produce a Plan councillors were of the opinion that it would be of little or no value to the community.
- To date there had been no Neighbourhood Plans produced locally and very few nationally to test the benefit of Plans.
- The monies currently held for the production of a NP could be put to better use for the community,

The clerk advised that the decision should be made in a council meeting where it was in the public domain and it was agreed to do this at the September meeting.