

**MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP HELD  
ON WEDNESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER 2015 AT 7.00 P.M.  
AT WISTASTON MEMORIAL HALL, CHURCH LANE, WISTASTON.**

**Present:** Cllr. J. Moore (Chairman)  
Cllr. Mrs. J. Bond, Cllr. D. Millington, Cllr. G. Roberts, Cllr. R. Westwood,  
J. Bennett, N. Green, W. Heath & D. Lucas.

**In Attendance:-** Mrs. A. Cross & Mr. C. Todd.

**19 APOLOGIES**

Mr. D. Clews & Mr. A. Thomson.

**20 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made in respect of any items on the Agenda.

**21 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2015, were approved.

**22 APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY**

Cllr. G. Roberts be elected as Minutes Secretary **APPROVED**

**23 PLANNING CONSULTANT - MR. ANDREW THOMSON**

Mr. Todd gave Mr. Thomson's apologies due to ill health. Mr. Todd then gave an update of recent events:-

a) Members of ChALC have arranged to meet with Edward Timpson MP on Friday 4 December to discuss their concern that an Appeal Inspector has approved a development in a Village in East Northamptonshire which has an emerging Neighbourhood Plan. This decision may have serious ramifications for all the communities currently engaged in developing their Neighbourhood Plans. In addition, they will be discussing certain aspects of the emerging CEC Local Plan, in particular ensuring that the Green Gaps are protected whilst the Local Plan is being prepared.

b) He had a meeting with Adrian Fisher, and stressed the need for a strong policy on Green Gaps. The Inspector will be examining the Local Plan in December/January. ChALC are trying to get the three ChALC Areas in Cheshire East - Crewe & Nantwich, Congleton and Macclesfield to request that they get representation at the examination stages of the emerging Local Plan.

c) There is a need to make use of the data collected by HOW – petitions, survey data etc, to help strengthen arguments to support the Green Gap.

It was agreed that Messrs. Bond, Millington and Moore would attend the next ChALC Area meeting.

Mrs. Cross advised that Gladman's appeal due to non-determination of planning application 14/3024N, would be discussed at the next planning meeting on 7th December.

Mr.Todd recommended the need for a draft timetable, then the next stage would be to pull all the data together, and determine what additional data gathering and survey work will be required ahead of producing a draft Plan..

After discussion, three actions were agreed to be carried out before the next meeting:-

- 1) Once the Parish Council have received confirmation of their grant, Mr.Todd and Mr.Thomson will contact Rachel Giles of the Wildlife Trust, and arrange for her to carry out an Environmental Survey.
- 2) Mrs.Cross to contact Tom Evans at Cheshire East for details of Mapping Areas for Wistaston, which should include green gaps, open spaces, footpaths, features of interest and items of historical importance.
- 3) Mrs.Cross to obtain an OSCI Community Profile Report (cost £50) from John Heselwood;

Mr.Todd said he would prepare a Draft Timetable, based on a starting date of 4th November 2015.

Mr.Millington said he would email the petition figures to Mrs.Cross.

## **24 UPDATE ON PLANS**

It was agreed that members of the group would provide suggestions at the next meeting, of events to engage with the public on the Neighbourhood Plan; possibilities were morning coffee events, U3A Mingle, WI, Brittles, etc.

Mr.Todd recommended that members look at what other villages are doing to promote their Neighbourhood Plan; he will email members details of Google Drive. For any queries, his telephone number is 569421.

Mrs.Cross said she would put flyers for the Neighbourhood Plan on the parish council notice boards and the website.

## **25 ANALYSE QUESTIONNAIRES**

It was agreed that the boxes for return of the questionnaires would be collected on 12th January 2016, by the persons who distributed the boxes. Mrs.Bond agreed to analyse the responses. Mr.Todd said Willaston received 90 responses.

## **26 NEXT MEETING**

The next meetings will be held on 13th January 2016 and 10th February 2016.

**The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.**