

MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11TH JANUARY 2017 AT 7.00PM AT WISTASTON MEMORIAL HALL, CHURCH LANE, WISTASTON.

Present: Cllr.J.Moore (Chair)

Cllr.Mrs.J.Bond, Cllr.G.Roberts, Mr.D.Clews, Mr.W.Heath, Mr.D.Lucas & Mr.R.McIntosh.

In Attendance: Mrs.A.Cross, Mr. A. Thomson & Mr.C.Todd.

169 APOLOGIES

Apology received from Mr.J.Bennett.

170 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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

171 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th December 2016, were approved.

172 ANDREW THOMSON, PLANNING CONSULTANT - Update

Mr.Thomson announced two items of good news:-

1) In a letter dated 13th December 2016, concerning Cheshire East's Local Plan, the Inspector has stated that the plan is compliant and sound, and only requires nine moderate modifications plus fourteen detailed modifications; (the letter was placed on Cheshire East's website on 15th December 2016). Under PG4 Strategic Green Gaps, the boundary needed modification to include recently granted planning permissions.

Mr.Thomson anticipated that Part 1 of the Local Plan would be complete by February/March 2017.

2) In a Ministerial Statement (by Gavin Barlow on 12th December 2016), Neighbourhood Planning Policies within a Neighbourhood Plan will not be deemed to be out of date; and there is a Recovery Period of six months from 12th December 2016 to possibly appeal and contest the decision with regard to Witters Field. However, there is a need for every Neighbourhood Plan to allocate sites for housing, and demonstrate a three year housing supply; Mr.Thomson is querying this matter, particularly with regard to areas where there is limited space for housing available.

Mr.Todd considered it unfair that the areas for the proposed developments off Wistaston Green Road and Witters Field had to be shaded purple on the map showing the extent of the Green Gap.

173 UPDATE ON REGULATION 14 CONSULTATION issued 21st December 2016

Cllr.Moore thanked Messrs.McIntosh, Thomson and Todd for all their efforts in preparing the Regulation 14 document.

Mr.McIntosh said the document had been issued to 224 consultees, out of which 24 had "bounced"; so far, responses had been received from Natural England and Sport England, together with an "auto-response" from Edward Timpson MP.

Mr.Thomson said that once all responses had been received, they would then be fed through to Tom Evans of Cheshire East.

After discussion, it was noted that following the closing date of 31st January 2017, the

responses would be examined, then Mr.McIntosh would prepare a report for the February meeting, and also place the information on Google Drive. The aim is to complete the Regulation 15 Plan by the end of February 2017.

174 PHOTOGRAPHS FOR INCLUSION IN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

After discussion, Cllr.Moore and Mr.Clews agreed to select 30 photographs, place them on Google Drive, and 10 would be selected at the February meeting for inclusion in the Regulation 15 Plan.

Mr.Thomson said the photographs should be able to show the Inspector what the village looked like; the selection should include aerial and vista views, typical village activities and also traffic congestion points. A good example was in the plan for Astbury and Morton.

Mr.McIntosh said there were 40 to 50 photographs on the Neighbourhood Plan website, and there were some on Google Drive.

175 TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs.Cross said there no changes to the report submitted at the December 2016 meeting.

176 DISCUSSION FOR NEXT STAGE MY LOCALITY GRANT

After discussion, it was agreed to submit an application at the beginning of March 2017. It was noted that the grant takes 21 days before receiving approval.

177 CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL NEIGHBOURHOOD GRANT STATUS

Mr.Thomson thought that there would be no further grants forthcoming from Cheshire East; Rhiannon Monaghan had moved to Stoke so, if she is not replaced, Tom Evans will have to deal with Regulation 15 matters.

178 WEBSITE - Update from Mr.McIntosh

Mr.McIntosh said the only recent change was the addition of the Regulation 14 document. A sum of £8 had been paid for the domain charge.

179 NEXT STEPS - Future Actions

Mr.Thomson said the Steering Group needed to carry out the following actions, in order to finalise the Regulation 15 document:-

- 1) Include photographs, following the February meeting.
- 2) Include Basic Conditions, which he would prepare.
- 3) Keep an eye on Cheshire East's Local Plan.
- 4) Include Travel Plans as part of the Transport Policy.
- 5) Include Conservation Areas, Access to Countryside, and dealing with Litter and Dog Fouling as part of the Delivery Plan.
- 6) Include responses to Regulation 14.

Mr.Todd said the Regulation 15 document would be similar to Regulation 14, but incorporate responses, amendments, photographs and a Delivery Plan.

180 FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 15th February 2017, and the following meeting at 7pm on Wednesday 15th March 2017.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.