

**MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN  
STEERING GROUP HELD ON THURSDAY 9TH JUNE 2016 AT 7.00PM  
AT WISTASTON MEMORIAL HALL, CHURCH LANE, WISTASTON.**

**Present:** Cllr.J.Moore (Chair)

Cllr.Mrs.J.Bond, Cllr.D.Millington, Cllr.G.Roberts, D.Clews, D.Lucas & R.McIntosh.

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

**92 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr.R.Westwood, Mr.J.Bennett & Mr.W.Heath.

**93 DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

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

**94 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 18th May 2016, were approved.

**95 DRAFT HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT from RHIANNON MONAGHAN**

Mr.Thomson said a Section 6 “Housing Requirements in Wistaston” needed to be added.

After discussion, Mr.Thomson clarified the following points:-

Item 2.2 “Basic Condition E” means general conformity with the Local Plan; currently, there have been 20,000 objections to the Local Plan.

Item 2.3 “NDP” means Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Table 1 the figures in the left hand column are for 2011.

**96 DRAFT HABITAT DISTINCTIVENESS MAP from RACHEL GILES**

Cllr.Roberts said Rachel Giles’s email dated 27th May 2016 mentioned that the area covered by planning application 14/1326N should be coloured orange, not red.

Mr.Todd said the map should reflect the need to support the Green Gap.

**97 MR. ANDREW THOMSON, PLANNING CONSULTANT - Update on Policies**

**a) Housing Policy - revised 24.05.16**

Mr.Thomson said he proposed to make the following changes to this draft:-

Policy H4 - remove first paragraph.

Policy H6 - transfer to Design of Buildings.

**b) Transport and Infrastructure Policy - draft 24.05.16**

Cllr.Roberts said the nearest air monitoring point to Wistaston that he was aware of was near the junction of Nantwich Road and Ernest Street, in Crewe. With regard to item T1a, the Wistaston Conservation Group had volunteered to check which public footpaths needed to be officially designated by 2026.

Mr.Thomson said in item TP3, PM10 was a measure of particles in the air.

### **c) Design of Buildings Policy - draft 24.05.16**

After discussion, the following points were noted:-

- 1) Include extensions to existing houses, because the parish council regularly receive planning applications for them. As a result, there is a reduction in the number of smaller houses.
  - 2) Include reference to Houses of Multiple Occupancy, and determine whether they are desirable.
  - 3) Include the need to provide adequate car parking, with relation to the number of bedrooms.
  - 4) Include a requirement for New Build to include renewable energy features.
- Mr.Thomson said the reference in Policy D4 to “Lifetime Homes” was part of Government Policy “Building for Life”, which was that new homes should be designed to allow people to live in them all their life; other items to consider were Government Policy “Fabric First” and Cheshire East’s “Residential Design Guide”.

Mr.Thomson said he intended to prepare two more policies, namely “Leisure and Recreation” and “Natural Environment including Local Spaces”.

## **98 LIST OF LOCAL BUSINESS FOR ECONOMY POLICY**

Cllrs.Bond and Millington said they would prepare a list for the meeting in September. It was agreed that the list would be in two parts, namely Business with Premises, and Business Working from Home (sometimes called Hidden Business).

## **99 TREASURERS REPORT**

Mrs.Cross confirmed that the money for the second grant had been received in the sum of £3105; she had already paid for the banners and flyers.

Messrs. Green, Heath, Lucas, Millington, Moore and Roberts had agreed to attend the Village Fete on Saturday 18th June. (A copy of the flyer for handing to the public is attached to these minutes.)

Mr.Clews said the Neighbourhood Plan Zone signs had been erected on Middlewich Road and Rope Lane, the rest would be erected this week.

It was agreed to apply for the next grant around November; this would be a Locality Grant from Central Government in the sum of £2000.

Mr.Todd said he would contact Tom Evans about the availability of Cheshire East’s Neighbourhood Plan Grant, of up to £6000.

Mr.Thomson said the major forthcoming cost would be for printing the Neighbourhood Plan document.

## **100 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT EVENT**

Cllr.Moore said David Jkinson of U3A was interested in a presentation to a Mingles group. It was agreed to arrange one for September onwards.

## **101 STALL AT DUCK RACE**

It was agreed that the flyer for handing to the public would be the same as that planned for the Village Fete.

## **102 WEBSITE - Update from Mr.McIntosh**

Mr.McIntosh reported that he had not added a lot to the website recently.

After discussion, it was agreed that the following items should be considered:-

- 1) Photographs of Neighbourhood Plan Zone signs.
- 2) Photos of Village Fete.
- 3) Items on News Section.
- 4) Photos of main features of the village, including people, events, traffic congestion; Jonathan White may be prepared to assist.
- 5) Photos of important open spaces.
- 6) Photos of cattle in Witters Field.

### **103 NEXT STEPS - Future Actions**

After discussion, the following actions were agreed:-

- 1) Identify developers; write to them, inform them about the Neighbourhood Plan, and invite them to a meeting. Draw up list in July, for consideration in September.
- 2) Cllrs. Bond and Roberts investigate Land Ownership, including Beam Heath Trust.
- 3) Mr. Thomson to follow up Regulation 14 consultation.

### **104 NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 27th July 2016 at 7pm. (There will be no meeting during Council Recess in August 2016.) The proposed date of Wednesday 7th September 2016 will either be confirmed or changed once Cheshire East have finalised dates for the public examination of their Local Plan.

**The meeting closed at 8.13pm.**