

## Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting Tuesday 15 September 2015

Pavilion, Denstone College

Present

Jacquie Payne, Cavell Portman, Clive Keble, Pauline Dolan, Antony Whomersley, David Brown, Emma Gerrard, David Boden, Bob Beaumont

### 1. Apologies

Edward Edmonds, Angela Snow, Jenny Richardson

### 2. Minutes of 18 August

Accepted as a true record.

### 3. Any changes to steering group contact details

None

### 4. Matters arising

- a. Contact with village organisations. Member reminded to contact their organisations during September referring to the newsletter, Denstone Show and Facebook page.  
**ACTION All.**

### 5. Feedback from the Denstone show, other consultation responses and what next?

- A report from CK was circulated.
- a. The show. Thanks to CK, CP, AS and PD for talking to visitors to the stand. Out of the 68 who visited the stand c50 were from the parish. The age spread was middle aged and upwards with a few 30s. Two questionnaires were completed. There was no apparent hostility to a reasonable number of houses including smaller ones for young people and older. A number of older people in 3/4/5 bedroomed houses had expressed a wish to downside to 2 bedroomed ones. College traffic had been raised - not directly a concern of the Plan but could be mentioned relative to new development. Perception of the College as an employer and landscape guardian would be considered at a future meeting. Also to be considered is the extent of the built environment and landscape change associated with JCB. EG had had 6 or so interactions with the Facebook page since the newsletter and had met with some of her peers. The 28 September deadline had been highlighted. Reminder to be put up on the notice board and in the Tavern. **ACTION BB.** Finally thanks to the show organisers for the gazebo and Irena Beaumont for loan of the display boards.
  - b. Other consultation. An email (with newsletter/questionnaire attached) had been sent out to our list of external organisation/interested parties on Sunday 6 September. Responses had been received from Alton Towers, Staffs Highways, Staffs Wildlife Trust and SCC (Stafford & Stoke on Trent LEP), none of which raise any issues – the deadline for returns is 28 September.
  - c. What next?
    - i. - **Parish Profile.** This had been ordered from the Community Council and chased today.
    - ii- **Character survey.** See 6 below. A report can now be produced. **ACTION CK**
    - iii - **Engage young people.** See 7 below.

iv - **Policies for new housing** will need to be included in the Draft plan, using a settlement boundary through criteria based policies and/or allocated sites. Detailed report on a methodology for identifying potential sites to the next SG meeting on 13 October. **ACTION CK**

v - **Issues & options consultation** responses will need to collated/reviewed. Preliminary analysis to be done for an initial report to the meeting on 13 October. **ACTION BB & CK**

vi - **ESBC Local Plan**. Inspectors report on the Local Plan should be available by the end of the month or in early October. It is expected to confirm housing figures and Neighbourhood Plans to determine changes to the settlement boundary..

## **6. Completion of Characterisation Study**

These were now all complete. An error had caused Area 2 to be done twice. Hard copies were handed over to CK plus an electronic copy of all except Area 6. Thanks to members for completing this. It may be necessary to have some technical work by a landscape architect.

## **7. Working with young people** DBro presented an outline proposal.

- a. Playgroup and First School. AW had made contact with the First School head. Participation would fit with the curriculum and details are to be obtained of last year's Year 4 project. Likely timescale will be between half term and Christmas.
- b. Middle and High Schools. Ryecroft and Alleynes to be contacted with the school bus a likely route to students. **ACTION DBro**. More difficult to involve those who attend other schools or are car passengers. Modern media such as QR codes to be involved.
- c. Denstone College. Contact details to be provided of James Hartley and Barrie Hinton. **ACTION CP**. It was suggested that students could do their own character study of the college and campus. It may also be interesting to have their view of the village. CK offered assistance.

The A4A grant can cover costs of printing etc. as this is a subsection of the consultation. If responses are received by Christmas feedback can be given in the New Year but if the spring term it will be via the Draft Plan.

## **8. Any other business**

Corinne O'Hare. Now that activity of the East Staffs Local Plan is coming to an end she is willing to attend Neighbourhood Plan meetings. To be invited to the October meeting. **ACTION CK**.

## **9. Dates of next meetings**

**Tuesday 13 October at 7.00 p.m.** To include policies for new housing and a preliminary report on the Issues & Options consultation

**Tuesday 24 November at 7.00 p.m.**

Meeting closed 8.10 pm