

Much Birch Neighbourhood Development Plan

Record of Much Birch Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering group meeting

10 January 2019 at Much Birch Community Hall

Present. Steering Group; Dave Goldsmith (Chairman), Bill Bloxsome (Data Orchard), Tricia Egerton, Lesley Gare, Chris Grover, Chris Pickering Grey, Steve Turner (PC), Roisin Burge (PC),

1. Apologies. Martin Booy, Geoff Nichol

2. Declarations of Interest. There were no declarations of interest.

3. Approval of Record/notes from meeting 28 November 2018

The record was agreed as a true and correct record of the meeting of 28 November 2018

4. Matters arising.

The Chairman reported that he had booked the hall for the NDP public consultation planned for 16 March 2019.

Thanks were expressed to the Clerk to the Parish Council who had placed an early notice of the public consultation in the January newsletter.

5. Review of work on the plan for 6 March 2019 NDP 2nd Public Consultation.

The date for the public event/consultation was agreed **Saturday 16 March at Much Birch Community Hall**. Further publicity of this date would be provided via the 'Birches' Village newsletter and MB Parish web site.

The agreed format for the presentation to include:

1. An introductory (sign posting Board)

2. The initial large NDP consultation map of Much Birch Parish updated to include housing not identified on the original map and those areas for which housing (planning approval) has been agreed but building not yet commenced.

3. 5 Boards setting out the five main areas which are the focus of the emerging draft NDP. Each board will include:

Questions set out in the original Community, Housing and Business development survey.

The response for each area as received from members of the community (% and charts).

Based on the response emerging draft proposals for strategic objectives and options for each area

Post it facilities to seek feedback and recommendations from members of the community.

The five key areas: (as set out in the Community survey 2017)

1.Environment.2. Housing 3. Community facilities 4. Traffic and transportation

5 Supporting Business /rural enterprise.

In Summary each subject Area Board will set out:

1. A reminder of the key questions in the original survey 2017.
2. The response “you the public expressed the following views” (set out in diagrammatic form visual aids)
3. Based on these views and with reference to previous Parish plans, and requirements and recommendations of National and local government (including Herefordshire Core strategy for local development 2011-31, and Housing strategy and Sustainable Community strategy))
a set of draft development objectives/options upon which the further views of residents Parish stakeholders are sought.

Members of the group undertook to do further work on the five areas and the Chairman offered to assist anyone who needed assistance with presentation format for the board information. Ideally, he would like to receive this by 29 January in preparation for the meeting planned for 31 January.

The Chairman also undertook to circulate to members of the group the latest draft of the NDP in progress, and a copy of the 2004 MB Parish plan (for reference purposes).

5. Finance. A request from Chris G (Data Orchard) had been passed by Chris G to the Clerk to the Parish Council for action.

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Confirmation of date of next meeting 31 January 2019