

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee Meeting – 4th March 2015

Held at: Fradley Village Hall, Fradley

Acting Chairman – Simon Roberts

Minutes

1. NP Steering Committee members present:

Cllr. Simon Roberts, Sandy Carruthers, Greg Jones, Linda Wild, Cllr. Lynn Beaumont, Mary Bennett, Richard Green, Mark Edwards, Darell Baumber, Chris Gillie, David Derrick

NP Steering Committee members absent:

Jo Spence (apologies sent)

Paul Hooper-Keeley, Mark Kendrick, Ben Walsh, Wendy Richmond Approve

2. Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

- Minutes amended to include David Derrick as attending last meeting

3. Matters Arising - None

4. Task Group Reports

Environment – see attached sheets. Lichfield Biodiversity Plan obtained. Graham Ward and others to be asked about history of Fradley. Notes of hedgerow info gathered by Mark Lewis to be sought from Julia Usher. Work done looking into local marl pools and woodlands.

Facilities – see attached sheet

Housing – GJ thought it important to open discussions with large local employers to get their opinion on local housing needs in the future. GJ to ask LDC for info on local demographics and population count for Fradley. Still gathered info for formulate specific task groups whilst considering the Sustainability Assessment

Transport – Mike Wilcox has offered his support to this group and is helping to get double yellow lines along the length of Common Lane and in discussions with local businesses regarding a lorry park being created.

Communication – Paul Woolrich to be contacted regarding updating the website. John Meredith to be given information for inclusion in the Lichfield Mercury. Mel

Halacre to be contacted regarding her work done on Broadband and Mobile coverage in the village. Further publicity of the NP Group and regular updates via notice boards, emails and Facebook. Regarding Broadband, DB asked if a letter could be written to Michael Fabricant about why a Fibre Cabinet has been installed in Long Lane for 7 months, but still hasn't been connected.

Strategy - See attached notes.

The group works was progressing but had some difficulty in finding a Neighbourhood Plan that is anything similar to ours. Work progressing on Sustainability Appraisal. SR to ask Will Chapman about Alrewas' SA. Mentioned that everything has to be built on an evidence base and that some GANNT charts would be produced by CG to show a timeline/plan for the NP going forward.

5. Extra Task Group – It was agreed that a new task group would be established, headed 'Economic Task Group' which would cover both Housing and Transport task groups

6. Any Other Business - Julia Usher has submitted her resignation and a thank you note should be sent to her. **Committee members should note roughly how much time they spend on their NP work, as this can be converted into an amount of money that can be offset against match-funded grants.** Grant for £1500 submitted to Fradley Parish Council. Bank account is being set-up. SR has produced **a map of the NP area** with conservation areas and tree preservation orders detailed on it and **should be looked at by each task group with their specific areas highlighted.**

7. Date of next meeting – Weds 15th April 2015 – St. Stephens Church, Fradley

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