

FRADLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP
Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 14th September 2016
At St Stephens Church

Present: Cllr S Roberts, Rachel Boxall, Richard Green, Sandy Carruthers, Jo Spence

Apologies: David Derrick, Greg Jones

1 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (3rd August 2016)

The Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record and will be posted on the Parish Council and Neighbourhood Plan websites.

2 MATTERS ARISING

None currently to report

3 TREASURER'S REPORT

As no money has been spent this month, the balance remains as before i.e. £7,307.46

It was agreed that we would check what financial arrangements we had with DBN Web Design Ltd regarding the monthly payment we make to them. We thought that initially the payments would be under review by DBN Web Design Ltd when it was clear the amount of work they had to do. This would be checked out with Linda for the next meeting.

Action: Sandy

4 RESIGNATION

David Derrick has reluctantly had to resign from the group as his working life is interfering with his ability to attend meetings etc. The group were sad to receive the news as he will be missed. However we wish him well for the future and if he wishes to return we would be pleased to accept him back on the committee.

5 UPDATES ON TASKS

(a) New survey - Simon

Simon has been in touch with Fiona who has agreed to help as she did with the first survey, although this new one will be considerably smaller. A list of possible questions has been formulated and these will be worked on as soon as possible, in time for the deadline of end of October.

(b) Health provision and new sports provision - Jo

Health:

Despite contacting many surgeries in the area, Jo has yet to receive any definitive information as most people have been on holiday. However Helen Titterton at Lichfield District Council has advised that once phase 2 of the Fradley Park development is underway the planning application includes SOC2 funding for the provision or maintenance of health facilities. It is also understood that a plot for a

health facility and a new nursery has been designated adjacent to a new primary school for Phase 2.

Jo will continue to research the health issue for Fradley and follow up on leads.

(Afternote: following a meeting with Bellway on 15th September, Jo has now been informed that these facilities will not be considered until Phase 3 has been completed which would mean that there could be up to a ten year wait!)

Sport – Jo

Jo has tried to make contact with local football/cricket clubs with limited success and her research continues once more people return her calls. The best strategy may be to pursue the idea of shared facilities since there is a huge need locally.

(c) Identification of existing leisure and its use – Linda

As Linda was absent, there was no progress report.

(d) Identification of any other items arising from the questionnaire re community infrastructure - David

As David has since resigned there was no report and Jo will pick up this task.

Action: Jo

(e) Protection of local green/open spaces – Sandy

Sandy had been in touch with Patrick Jarvis, Neighbourhood Planner at LDC to ascertain their current position on protecting green/open spaces. It would seem that only small spaces can be identified but no large areas unless there is a very good reason to do so. The neighbourhood plan should largely fall in line with the Lichfield Plan.

Several small areas have been identified, the larger ones being notably the two green spaces in Statfold Lane, play area at Worthington Road, the green space at Williams Avenue/Rumbold Avenue, and Watersmeet. Fradley Junction, being a conservation area is also of importance. Two allotments have been identified, one small one at The Moor/Long Lane. Contact with the land owners will be made to ascertain their intentions of selling/not selling this space. One further large one at Sale Lane has been identified and the landowner there has specified that it will remain allotment land.

Two areas of medieval monuments within the Fradley area have been identified and a reply is being awaited from the Birmingham University Archaeology Department as regards their findings.

Research into green/open spaces is still ongoing.

(f) Townscape – character assessment of existing housing types – Greg

As Greg was not present there was no report.

(g) Key walking areas and cycle routes – Richard

Richard had been unable to do any work on this issue due to unexpected personal difficulties. He will now complete the task. Simon will send him a map to use.

Action: Richard/Simon

(h) **Photographs of off-road parking problems - Greg/Sandy**

These have not yet been carried out. Rachel will take over this task.

Action: Rachel

6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Sandy would contact Linda to enquire about the Fradley Village Directory.

Action: Sandy

Road improvements at junction of Church Lane/Fradley Lane - According to the Fradley Inset 12 map found in the Lichfield Plan, improvements are planned for this junction. Enquiries would be made regarding what exactly is proposed.

Action: Sandy

7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 12th October