

WESTON AND BASFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
STEERING GROUP
MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD 6TH APRIL 2016

PRESENT Councillor J Cornell (Chairman)
Councillors J Chambers, J Densem and T Gill
Mr D Fanstone

IN ATTENDANCE Mr A Thomson

MINUTES: Agreed: That the minutes of the meeting held 29th February 2016 be approved as a correct record.

LOCAL PLAN

The Chairman updated the Group on the next stages of the Local Plan. Minor amendments to the representations proposed had been agreed. The Steering Group was of the opinion that nothing should be conceded to the north of the railway line.

ChALC was to discuss its representations at a meeting on 7th April and representations would be made to the Strategic Green Gap Policy to offer greater protection to the Parish.

The Green Gap Policy would form an integral part of the Local Plan once approved.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT EXERCISE

The Group considered the arrangements for the next stage of public engagement which will take the form of a manned walk in exhibition along with feedback sheets.

Sessions were proposed as follows:-

Englesea Brook Chapel Monday 16th May 4pm-7pm
Weston Church Hall Wednesday/Thursday 18th/19th May 4pm-7pm
Wychwood Village Hall Saturday 21st May 3pm-7pm

The same display material would be used for each session with hand-outs to be available. A Boards would be placed outside the venues to encourage attendance.

The dates, venue and times of sessions to be notified to all households in the Parish in early May.

Plans would be displayed illustrating key areas for development and Green Gaps. A sheet inviting comments on specific issues would be prepared and distributed at the exhibitions.

A definition of Green Belt and Green Gap was to be displayed along with results of the first Questionnaire and any reports on Housing Need and Wildlife Conservation.

Visitors would be invited to sign an attendance list and where possible photographs of the event would be taken.

An invitation would be extended to Mr T Evans and Ward Councillors.

LOCALITY GRANT.

Mr D Fanstone reported that the original timetable as submitted had slipped and it was estimated that the Plan would now be submitted in November.

A report to Locality on current spending was due and current monies needed to be spent before a further application could be made.

The programme would be recalculated and £142.40 would be repaid to Locality.

Andrew Thomson indicated that should more of his time be required this would be invoiced direct at the agreed rate.

The Parish Council would be asked to approve a further contribution of £1000 which would only be paid as and when required.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR DR R GILES

Agreed: that the following be supplied

1. Copy of the Questionnaire analysis
2. A list of recent major planning applications reference numbers
3. Contact at the local Bat Group and any other local wildlife 'experts'
4. Any local knowledge on areas of interest.
5. A copy of Charles Fairey's work
6. Any information on land that has not been cultivated for over 20 years

DATE OF NEXT MEETING- Thursday 12th May 2.00pm