

**MINUTES OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 2014 AT THE MEETING PLACE AT 4.00pm**

Present: Alex, Beryl, John, Heather, Nick, Sam

1. Apologies for Absence: Mark and Jeremy

2. Neighbourhood Seminar 22nd September, 2014

Alex and Nick attended and were informed that we should be working on 3 reports

a) Basic Needs - this should show how we have addressed the laid down statutory obligations and developed the Policies.

b) Evidence base - the consultants will do this but we have to collate information. Jason's report on the Exhibition would be an example of this.

c) The Plan - What we intend to do to address various policies and our vision objective. It is up to us how many policies we have.

Mobile phones and broadband would not come under NP unless they affect land usage but could be included in an Appendix or under Other issues - when they would have no statutory powers.

3. Exhibition

The dates for the next Exhibition have had to be changed to the **24th and 25th October**.

The policies we put in the Exhibition can be based on our Design Statement with additional information from the villagers replies to the survey e.g. Solar Panels, Hydropower etc.

Sam and Jason agreed to help put the Exhibition together. This will include the results of the Membury Parish Questionnaire, (**Alex to get another 10 copies.**) the design and the information to go on the boards. Jeremy to be asked for the use of his boards. It was not felt necessary to use more.

4. Housing

The closing date for the results of the Housing Needs Survey was 30th September, we are due to get results early October.

There was a long discussion on the viability of affordable housing in the village as one of the conditions is that we should have public transport and we have none.

Regarding the black line this has to be amended or erased for the future development of housing.

Again, we must await the results of the Survey before we can proceed.

5. Heritage Asset Register

We would like to list the heritage assets in the village and surrounds and this could be another item for the Exhibition. Suggested were the old telephone boxes, the Quaker Church, the war memorial, Challenger Farm's line of beech trees. There was a discussion on who would take ownership of these assets and Nick to look at the rules.

6. Items to be discussed at the next Meeting

Natural Environment

Built Historical Environment

Energy and Low Carbon Alternatives

Try to give some structure to Sam & Jason on these topics.

7. Time, Date and Place of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 1st October, 2014 at the Meeting Place at 4.00 p.m.

Apologies for giving the wrong date for the last meeting which should have read Wednesday, 24th September and not October.