

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REPORT TO CBPC MEETING 6th JULY 2020

1. Project Plan

Our original target for completion of the plan was April 2021. This was based on the Locality Guidelines for planning. Since then, firstly there has been a period of inactivity due to Covid-19 of almost 3 months and secondly following advice from Jo Witherden, the duration of certain activities, based on her experiences with other groups were too optimistic. We held a detailed planning session with Jo during June, where we examined each activity in detail and we arrived at a target date of May 2022 for the completion of the Plan.

The Steering Group has now accepted this as the plan of record and we are seeking concurrence from the Parish Council for this revised timescale.

2. Additional Surveys

- a. A Working Group has been set up to develop an additional survey on housing, employment and the environment. This is because we believe that people's opinions may have changed as a result of their lockdown experience. This additional survey will also include aspects we have not included in any of our surveys so far, such as on the environment and renewable energy. Our intention is to release the survey in September.
- b. In addition to the survey above we are developing a Young Person's survey. Initial thoughts are that we would seek views from young people aged 9-18. We have a draft survey and this is being piloted with some young volunteers of varying ages, in order to establish if it's fit for purpose. Again, we are intending to release this in September.
- c. We are also planning to re-issue the Business Survey since the impact of Covid-19 on many local businesses is significant and the future is uncertain for many of these businesses. It is reasoned that many of these businesses need time to re-assess and there would be not much point re-issuing the survey at this time. We are going to take a view on the timing of release of the survey at the beginning of October.

3. Call for Sites

4 Working Groups have been set up, one for each village, to establish which, if any, sites might be candidates for development. This will be done through a combination of local knowledge and by combing through the returns of the Housing survey to see what suggestions people made. Once this exercise is complete then we will present the conclusions to the Parish Council before we send out Advice Notes on a Call for Sites to the relevant landowners.

4. Public Consultation Events

Our first public event is scheduled for November when we will invite all villagers to a workshop event to discuss the various options identified so far for the overall Plan. Our initial thoughts are that we would hold these in each village community in order to ensure that we reach as many people as possible. These events obviously require a great deal of organisation and it is important that we start to think about what is required to hold a successful event. We are looking for additional expertise and resources on the Steering Group to help us do this.

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