

Minutes of Neighborhood Plan Working Group Meeting - Tuesday 12th June 2018 held at Ixworth Village Hall started 7.00pm ended 9.00pm

Present - Tessa Stonehouse (Chair), Debra Reay, Nick Laughton (PC)(VH), Stephan Mann (VH) (Late Arrival), Ben Birrell (PC), Adrian Harmer, Richard Courtneil (VH), Graeme Norris (Chair Troston PC), Also, Alf Percival (NP Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence

Received from: Stephen Mann

2. Approve and Sign Minutes

NP Chair signed minutes of previous meeting held 15.05.2018

Debra Reay asked for the minutes to be amended at item 4 (b) for her name to be deleted from the discussion point re engaging with the local free school in developing a logo for the NP. It has been duly deleted.

3. Review progress of NP publications and distribution

NP Chair reviewed text of "NP Flyer" will discuss amendments with Sarah Chandler

NP Chair has spoken to Consultant about text of publications, will discuss with Sarah Chandler at meeting TBA

NP Chair made the working group aware that Stradbroke had completed their NP

<https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/assets/Neighbourhood-Planning/Stradbroke-NP-Consult-Statement.pdf> and that Gamlingay (Camb) was an ecohub <http://www.gamlingayecohub.org.uk/>

Discussion turned to distribution of NP publications, the following ideas were sighted:

- a) Possible distribution with the Ixworth Newsletter – Nick Laughton to investigate
- b) ? when can the NP publications be printed by
- c) Possibly engage PC to distribute - Nick Laughton to investigate
- d) Suggestion was made if Scouts could be engaged to distribute the publications
- e) Ben Birrell & Adrian Harmer were in favour of self-distribution, distributors would then be able to engage residents on the doorstep
- f) Ben Birrell suggested that the shop may be able to distribute
- g) Debra Reay suggested they might be distributed by the Ixworth Magazine distributors and also via the Ixworth Film Night patrons

Discussion turned to roll out of the Neighborhood Plan – Review of Individual sections:

- **Health Care – Graeme Norris**, Graeme to review Healthy Communities
 - Tessa – Ixworth surgery is a business and it would be their call to change or relocate
 - Graeme – NP should promote health in the community, support when leaving hospital.
 - There should be front end and back end support
 - Debra – Ixworth is a medical hub (Surgery) covering Ixworth Village and the surrounding areas drawing in a high number of an expanding population
 - Ben – Well Being is a critical health consideration – there should be a fund set up to fund a Drop in Centre for the old/young
 - Tessa – Suggested the Village Hall should become a Drop in/Support Centre
 - Nick – The VH becoming a Drop in/Support Centre was suggested at the last PC meeting
 - Graeme – A Youth Councilor would be advantageous for Ixworth Surgery – could something be done in association with the local schools?
 - Tessa – Focused on the content of the original document section, "opening" needs attention as Ixworth Surgery is struggling now, with increasing population things are only going to deteriorate. The following 3 paragraphs were fine

and a final suggestion

Use of a text box – for residents own top suggestion/requirement

- **Transport – Tessa Stonehouse**

Tessa – What do we really need in this section?

Ben – There is a demand for transport to cover “distance” not “local” transport par se

Suggested a bike park would be beneficial

Also need to consider key environmental benefits

Ixworth should be a bicycle friendly village

There should be vehicle charging points

Nick – Make people use the by-pass, impose a 20mph limit throughout Ixworth

Adrian – Make the elements in the section more specific

- **Education – Ben Birrell**

Debra – Is this really an issue for the NP, a discussion ensued around public/private education and a secondary/free school approach

Tessa – To ring Council (Amy Wright) to confirm if education is part of the NP agenda, if it is, then to what extent (Local Requirements?)

- **Ecology – Adrian Harmer**

Adrian – to precis

All – very much in favour of the trust of the statements in this section

Ben – Encourage continued use of traditional hedgerows

There should be support for environmentally friendly options

Heat Pumps – environmental sustainability

Solar panels

Wind Energy Generation

Preservation of the “Mere” habitat, although this falls under Pakenham

Promote geocaching and nature trails

- **Sport and Recreation – Stephen Mann**

All – really happy with this section

- **Housing – Nick Laughton**

Nick – Address everyone in the village – “What are YOUR housing needs?”

Local Planning would really benefit from the results of such a survey

Nick – will send a copy of Capel St Mary survey to everyone

Prizes were discussed in recognition for completing and returning the questionnaire, it was suggested that the local businesses might like to provide these and benefit from the local recognition, some suggestions were

- Curry with love
- Mulleys
- Mr Kebab

5. Date of the Next Meeting

Date for next meeting Thursday 5 July 2016 7.00pm Ixworth Village Hall, Bar Area Meeting Room

Likely AGENDA – Review of everything, flyer, brochure, questionnaire prior to production

Actions

NP Chair to arrange meeting with Sarah Chandler to discuss copy of publications following talk with Consultant.

Nick Laughton to enquire if NP publications can be distributed with the Ixworth Newsletter

Nick Laughton to check with PC Clerk if can distribute NP publications via Electoral Roll facility

NP Chair to contact Council (Amy Wright) to confirm if education falls under the NP remit?

All contributors to individual sections to re-write their own sections and return to NP Chair no later than end June 2018. All to do their amendments (with QUESTIONS), Tessa will then lift these directly to create the questionnaire.

Ben Birrell to speak with the Head of the Primary School to see if the children would become involved in producing a logo for the NP

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Signed, NP Chair – Tessa Stonehouse

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Date