

Frodsham Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting

Monday 19th March 2018 at 1.30pm Castle Park House

Attendees:

Peter Vickery, Resident

Martin Maris, Resident

Mark Warren, Resident

Lynn Carmody, Resident

Andrew Rowe, Resident

Conrad Birtles, Resident

Janet McDonagh, Resident

Gill Hesketh, Support and Admin, Resident

Apologies: Caroline Ashton, Steve Carmody, Martin Sadler.

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted. All actions were complete.

Phone Conference with AECOM

The phone conference with Jesse Honey from AECOM was held on Monday 12th March. GH, MM, SC & LC attended. The consultant asked some clarifying questions about Frodsham's particular issues which we explained. He will be assessing any identified development sites for availability, suitability and how achievable the development is. Based on his experience of NPs and planning issues he suggested, in the interests of transparency and fairness, the Plan should do an open "call for sites". A call for sites is a time bound process where any landowner or agent can put forward land within the NP boundary for development. The development could be for leisure, employment, housing (including self-build and "affordable") or community facilities. The consultant would then assess each site for suitability and practicality. It was noted that putting forward a potential site does not mean it will be included in the Frodsham NP, or that development will go ahead; planning permission would have to be gained by the owner under the statutory process.

Call for Sites

Based on the information from the phone conference, there was a detailed debate about the merits of calling for sites, ultimately the meeting agreed a call for sites should be undertaken. GH had asked Gill Smith at CWaC Planning, and John Heselwood at Cheshire Community Action if they had any examples of call for sites documents from other NPs, no other NP's in our area have done it. GH circulated some examples of call for sites documents from the internet. It was identified that the wording of the call for sites was very important, and it should be effectively communicated to the whole community. PV, SC

and GH will draft call for sites documents by Monday 26th March, to be circulated for peer review. An additional meeting was agreed for 3rd April (1.30 at CPH) to finalise the call for sites document and agree a communication strategy.

Active Cheshire feedback

Duncan Settington has sent an electronic copy of the “Blueprint”, and Dr Declan Ryan, specialist in “active planning” will join our meeting on 23rd April to discuss how we can include active planning in our Plan.

Employer survey report

GH has chased the Employer Survey report again.

Evidence from Brownies

MM met with 4th Frodsham Brownies on 15.3.18 to find out their views on Frodsham. In attendance were nineteen 8 to 11 years old and three staff. MM circulated a list of their likes and dislikes providing more evidence to support the Plan. The guides are being visited on 28th March for more information gathering.

AOB:

Jeff Shaw, District Chair for Mersey Weaver District Scout Centre in Moor Lane has been in touch to see how they can input into the Plan. GH responded and suggested he register the Scout HQ as an asset of community value.

MM offered the tweet schedule for April and suggestions were discussed.

The meeting closed at 3.30pm.

Next meetings;

9th April 6.30pm evening meeting

23rd April 1.30pm

14th May 6.30pm evening meeting

all at Castle Park House.

Action from this meeting:

ACTION	OUTCOME
1. All to suggest tweets for April & send to MM	
2. PV, SC & GH to draft call for sites	