

Wessington Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

info@wessingtonparishcouncil.co.uk

Wessington Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

info@wessingtonparishcouncil.co.uk

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 24

January 2017 at Christ Church Wessington at

6pm

Present: Cllr Harry Shingleton (HS) Chair, Cllr Kevin Ryan (KR), David Sparkes (DS), Charles Allatt, Chris Allatt(CA), Chrissy Smith(CS), Sam Beastall(SB), Judith Cobb(JC), Joe Dugdale

Clerk: Catherine Hedley (CH)

1. **Apologies for absence - Gill Stables, Linda Odell, Mr & Mrs Belcher**
2. **Declaration of Volunteers Interests – None**
3. **The attendance list was circulated**
4. **Chairs address –** HS informed the group of the progress made since the last meeting and the approach made to the Proctors representative regarding the preparation of a concept statement. A discussion had taken place between HS and Steve Haslam regarding its format. A concern had been raised by Proctors over the cost involved. HS would contact Richard Cooper for advice on who to use to produce the statement. A meeting was planned between HS/JD/Steve Haslam to discuss and decide on appropriate person to carry out the work.
5. **Minutes –** The minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan meeting on the 19 December 2016 were accepted as a true and accurate record
6. **Storage 2000 –**This was covered in the Chairmans update above.
7. **Settlement Boundary Plan Working Group –** HS circulated two plans; A & B as the proposed Settlement Boundary which were agreed by the steering group. It was agreed that the blue area on the plan be included and that a separate statement on Amber Row be produced. KR agreed to speak to Richard Cooper re guide on content of local plan. Draft Plan was on the NEDDC agenda for the 10 March.

Wessington Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

info@wessingtonparishcouncil.co.uk

Consultation on the Local Plan Position Statement was taking place at Clay Cross and parish councillors were going to attend.

8. **Housing Design Working Group** – SB reported on the progress made by the group after analysing the household survey. *This included the following observations.

- a Size of development – 1-15 houses maximum, in keeping with Village style and a maximum of 2 storeys high
- b Size of house – small, semi detached, downsize or retirement properties.
- c Developments should have a balance of size of property (not all large detached)
- d Parking spaces – minimum of 3 spaces per household to be available
- e Houses must be well spaced, not overlooking each other
- g Any development greater than 5 properties must have a design statement
- h We don't need further affordable housing

** The minutes were amended at the meeting of 13 Feb 2017 and the above observations were substituted.*

Doubts were expressed on whether there was a need for affordable housing in the village. It was decided that non market value properties were not required.

9 **Vistas Working Group** – CA reported that photographs had been taken from the following aspect points but that work was still in progress:

- a Field opposite the Old Post Office
- b Creswell Hill
- c Down Glebe Field & Churchyard
- d Park field
- e Past Pond Farm

10. **AGM Requirement** – It was agreed that no AGM was necessary as residents were kept informed via other routes.

11 **Information Flyer** – HS agreed to prepare a flyer with updated information for distribution to all residents.

12 **Bus Service** – CH to ascertain whether the local bus service was protected.

13 **Consultant – Policies** – It was agreed that Helen Metcalfe should be offered the work involved in writing the NHP policies at an agreed day rate of £500 per day.

Wessington Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

info@wessingtonparishcouncil.co.uk

Venue, Time and date of next meeting – 13 February 2017, Christ Church
Wessington at **4pm**

The meeting ended at 7.35pm.