

Broadwindsor Group Neighbourhood Plan

Minutes of meeting on 19th April with Jo Witherden at Blackdown

Those present, Cllr Rowland Hibbard Cllr David Chumbley, Cllr Jacqui Sewell, Brian Hesketh, John Wallis, Bob Harris, Charles Lawrence, Jo Witherden.

Apologies from, Steve Chubb, Martin Coulson, Martin Rowan-Robinson, Brian Ridley, Tim Marshall and David Glossop.

Matters discussed

1, Collation Results

2, Grant Application

3, Questionnaire/ Survey

4, Mapping Software

5, Publicity

1. The collation of results were discussed at length and it was suggested that the main items to focus on were :

Vision and Objectives by issuing a Mission Statement

Need for housing and building land by working with the newly formed C.L.T. and by using information from the survey when completed.

Find out how many people on housing register to help form an opinion on how much growth is needed in the future and gauge the need for allocation of land for development the District Council can hopefully help with this.

It would be useful to contact local estate agents to see what properties are sought by possible purchasers.

Check with D.C. to see what land has approved planning permission but not yet started this might affect available land supply.

Explore the need for employment and new business premises in the area by contacting existing business and employers.

Explore the need for a development boundary for Drimpton by involving all residents at a public meeting.

Village amenities which need protection , School, Pubs and Community Shop and local small businesses Builders, Plumbers,Electricians and last but not least our Village Halls which provide a vital hub for our communities.

By making sure that the community continues to grow at a rate that will support these amenities.

Important to maintain rural character and green spaces we might need expert help with identifying these places and the species that live within them, contact Natural England, A.N.O.B officer and perhaps Dorset Wildlife.

Items brought up at the scoping sessions which cannot be influenced by the N.P. to be covered by a revision of the Parish Plan.

Make the Index on the survey clear so that those who might not want to do the whole survey can pin point the area that concerns/interests them.

2. Grant application.

It was discussed and Jo will send out a projection of how much her ongoing charges will be so that we can gauge how much to apply for as we can only apply for what we might need for a six month period, this will also give the committee some idea of how we are progressing with the plan.

3. Questionnaire/Survey

This was discussed and it was decided to do a draft of this to see what might or might not be required.

4. Mapping Software.

This was discussed and it was agreed to look at "Get Mapping" which is available for 3 months free of charge but will have to be purchased through the Parish Council to meet freedom of information requirements.

5. Publicity

It was decided that we need to use the Blog and also to make full use of the Parish Council website when that is up and running also to use both

the Village websites and the Broadwindsor News and Drimpton newsletters to keep all informed.

The way forward and outcome of meeting

1. In moving forward it was decided to do a draft survey which Brian Hesketh has offered to do using a template provided by Jo and also by using relevant questions from the Buckland Newton and Membury surveys. Charles Lawrence said it was important to do the draft survey A.S.A.P.
2. Charles Lawrence to approach John Hayes with regard to routes and possible volunteers to deliver and collect surveys.
3. David Chumbley to look into the Mapping software.
4. Rowland Hibbard to progress the "Locality Grant" application
5. Contact Steve Chubb and Tim Basset to see if they would be willing to contact local businesses and farms etc to see what their needs might be in the future for expansion and employment, Bob Harris is willing to help them.
6. Produce an article for the Broadwindsor News and websites etc to thank all who came to the scoping meetings and inform them of the next steps.

The meeting closed at 12.25.