

Minutes of Neighbourhood Planning meeting:
Thursday 26.10 2017

Venue: Village Community Centre Committee Room
Meeting started at 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm

Attendees:
Karen, Andrew, Darren, Richard, Ivan, Terence, Julia

Purpose of the meeting:

To start the Neighbourhood Planning process of gathering information about the parish from parishioners in order to begin to construct the scope of the NP and its rationale.

Start 7.00pm

To identify distinct areas of the parish in order to target questions for residents.

It was agreed that we would not try to gather all the information in one single attempt but rather to break the parish into distinct areas and focus our attention on each area separately. The guiding principle would be: Ease of delivery and receipt of questionnaires. This would enable information to be analysed relatively quickly. The rationale for creating areas and auditing the voices of the parish over a time period was to enable us to learn as we were gathering information and respond to the information with new, improved, changed questions as required. As the information builds up it will inform later questionnaires. After discussion, it was agreed the areas would be:

- 1 Rectory Road, North side (around 152 households)
- 2 Norwich Road and Semere Green Lane
- 3 The Street, Burston Road and all areas on West of the A140
- 4 Ipswich Road, Common Lane including the museum
- 5 Harvey Lane, Rectory Lane and Limmer Avenue
- 6 Harvey Lane (from Rectory Lane) to Langmere Road (The Church) including Langmere and all settlements on the route.
- 7 Green acre to Rushall Church
8. Rushall, Lonely Road and all other settlements
9. Smiths and Millers drive
- 10 Catchpole, Beach Way, Murlwood.

It was agreed that the initial questionnaire would be targeted at area 1 Rectory Road

The next phase of the meeting became the consideration of possible questions for the first questionnaire. It was agreed that the questions should be framed to extract the maximum information and views of parishioners. Being mindful, that:

- A) The answers we receive will effectively create the evidence base upon which the policies will be constructed.
- B) The process of policy creation will be open to scrutiny by all and eventual testing by S. Norfolk.

It was agreed that the questions should not lead people into saying what we want them to say, they should be as open ended as possible, they should be broad ranging to capture as much as possible on a wide range of issues.

A variety of questions were put forward, some long standing, some new.

Questions included:

- 1/ If you could change one thing around the village what would it be?
- 2/ Do we need a larger school?
- 3/ What, in your opinion, is the maximum total of houses needed in the area?
- 4/ Are you concerned about the effect of vehicle pollution on your family?
- 5/ Do you want to have more sports facilities for all in the village?
- 6/ Would you support a sports centre on the football field?
- 7/ What percentage mix of new houses would you prefer. ie 2 beds, bungalows etc?
- 8/ Would you support a lorry curfew between 11 pm and 7am?
- 9/ Do you support a light industrial area in the village?
- 10/ Would you support a one way system around the village?
- 11/ Are you concerned about speeding through the village?
- 12/ Where would you plant more trees around the village?
- 13/ Would you support adult classes when the school is closed?
- 14/ Would you use the Church rooms for adult learning?
- 15/ Should we have collective oil contracts for the village?
- 16/ Should houses only be sold to local families?
- 17/ Insist safety is given top priority for residents on new estates?
- 18/ No deliveries to building sites between 11pm and 7am?
- 19/ What are your priorities for living in the village?
- 20/ What do you like about your village?
- 21/ Would you use a separate car park for the school?
- 22/ Do you support better street lighting around the school area?
- 23/ Should allotment land be protected from developers?
- 24/ Would you support farmers increasing hedgerows around the village?
- 25/ Would your children welcome a youth club in the village?
- 26/ Would you support a bus service from Dickleburgh/ Rushall to Harleston?
(I am not sure if one exists)
- 27/ Retain the unique walks around the village?
- 28/ How should we protect the moor?
- 29/ What wildlife would you like to see on the moor?
- 30/ Is there a need for a separate lane for all farm vehicles?

- 31/ What are your priorities for living in the Parish?
- 32/ What is good about your immediate environment
- 33/ Even better if ..?
- 34/ What do we want to develop to make the 2 villages and surrounding hamlets even better?

It was agreed that Andrew would take the questions and construct a questionnaire based upon the questions presented and others as appropriate. The questionnaire would then go through a process of "improvement" until it was ready to be signed off by the group.

A brief time table was agreed

26th October – Meeting held agreed the need to start the process of auditing the concerns / wants / needs of the parish.

9th November questions circulated for ratification / change and then final signing off soon after.

16th November (or as soon after as possible) Julia and Andrew to deliver the questionnaires to area 1

19th and 20th November to collect the questionnaires between 5.00 pm and 8.00 pm

Other issues related to the development of the plan?

It was agreed to look at other models of perceived best practice. It was noted that some Neighbourhood plan groups had created facebook pages / groups and utilised twitter to spread the word and engage with residents and interested parties. It was agreed that Karen and Darren would investigate the possibility of creating a forum on facebook for the D and R neighbourhood plan.

The meeting finished at 8.10 pm