

HOPE UNDER DINMORE GROUP PARISH

Neighbourhood Plan Meeting held at Hope Under Dinmore Village Hall

7.00pm on Thursday 31st July 2014

Minutes

Present

Parish Cllrs: Mr N Ramsay (Chair); Mrs K Clarkson; Mr J Stone;
and Mrs P. Austin; Mrs G. Linscott; Mrs N. Giles

Also in attendance Mrs L Hay Parish Clerk

Apologies: Mrs D Coles and Mr N. Scott

The Chairman's Opening Remarks.

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

1. Administration – Those present were reminded of the Grant Application and the 'Applied for funding to produce the main elements of the plan'. It was agreed that there was scope within the application to fund the administration costs needed to support the clerical aspects associated with producing the Plan.

2. Feedback from the Open Days

Copy of Item 12.00 reported in the Parish Council Minutes 24th July 2014

The data and comments from the NP open days have been collated and analysed. 75 residents attended with (unsurprisingly) over 80% being over 50 years of age. The comments and data from the annotated maps are available from the Steering Group if anyone is interested. There are many different views expressed but a number of themes seem to emerge:-

- 1. A general dislike of housing estates and preference for small isolated developments.*
- 2. The field behind the village street should not be developed.*

- 3. A number of residents would like the opportunity to develop small 'windfall' sites for themselves or family members.*
- 4. The impact of flooding must be taken into account for any new developments.*
- 5. And quite a few people said they would like a pub!*

The results from the two Open Days had been converted into a table which clearly highlighted the thoughts of those who attended. A copy of this table was available for those present and is attached to these minutes.

It was proposed by the Chairman that Mrs D Coles should be asked to be 'liaison officer' with Gemma Webster – Senior Planning Officer for Herefordshire Council and whose role it is to support all Parishes in their Neighbourhood Plan. The Chairman will approach Mrs Coles with regard to this proposal.

It was suggested that Gemma Webster be invited to attend the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan – the Chairman will arrange this.

It was also discussed and agreed that Donna Tregenza, Locality Steward for Balfour Beattie, should also be invited to attend a site meeting to discuss in particular the flooding risk and the impact this will have on future building in the area – the Chairman again will arrange this and report back. This meeting could coincide with a proposed meeting between Donna Tregenza and the full Parish Council – see Minute 14.0 of last Parish Council minutes - 24th July 2014.

3. Visions and Objectives

The Chairman will write an interim report on the Core Strategy, future site development plans for the village and the vision and objectives which will influence the final presentation of the Neighbourhood Plan.

4. Statutory Requirements SEA an HRA

SEA represents Strategic Environment Assessment

HRA represents Habitat Regulations Assessment

AONB represents Areas of Natural Beauty

Discussion on the Strategic Environment Assessment was postponed until the next meeting – however the Chairman advised members present that he had emailed various attachments to them regarding the SEA and that there was an additional document pending – when this as available it would be emailed to members and they were asked to read it prior to the next meeting. It was appreciated that this document maybe in the region of 50 pages long and members were reassured that they did not have to print this off individually but that a hard copy would be available at the next meeting. If they wished to have a personal hard copy – please contact the Clerk who would arrange to photocopy – a cheaper option.

5. Publicity and Community Involvement

It was discussed and agreed that the Parish Website could be a good source of Publicity and Mrs Hay offered to try and get the website up to date and offered to manage the website in the future. Mrs Austin will remind Parishioners in a future Newsletter when the website is active.

6. Draft Plans/Options

There will be a series of options and proposals which will form a document on which Parishioners will be invited to comment.

There will also in addition need to be a questionnaire drawn up for Parishioners to fill in.

It was suggested that a map of the area would be helpful on which individual fields could be marked with ownership and those owners to be approached with regard to their thoughts on future building projects. The Clerk will attempt to obtain a detailed map. It was thought that the majority of this information could be achieved by asking neighbours and long term residents for their input into 'who owns what' within the Parish boundary.

7. Consultant Advice – The Consultant is Dr David Nicholson

After general discussion it was agreed that although the steering group would need Consultant advice fairly soon – in order to preserve costs it was agreed to wait until Gemma Webster (Planning) and Donna Tregenza (Balfour Beattie) have attended a meeting – their input could then be considered and discussed prior to involving the Consultant.

8. **Any Other Business** – as there was nothing more to be discussed at this time – the Chairman closed the meeting.

9. **Date and time of the next meeting was agreed Thursday 21st August 2014 at 7.00pm in The Village Hall.**

Signed :..... Date:.....