

Draft minutes of the meeting of
Wells Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Tuesday 11th February 2020.

Present

Wells City Council: Cllrs Adrian I'Anson, Jenny Rust & Pam Crummay
Graham Barrow, Helen Ellison, Tina Speake, Chris Winter
Ian Humphreys - St Cuthbert Out Parish Council

1. Apologies for absence: Mendip Cllr: Caroline McKinnell
2. Grant funding confirmation

Noted that the application (App-11715) was approved on the 6th of February under reference NPG – 11327 for £2,258.00. This will cover Stuart Todd's work on producing a Project Plan – 0.3.day £157.50; Review of the Reg 14 Pre-submission Draft Plan – 3 days £1.575 and Gap Analysis – 1 day £525.

3. WNP area.

Noted that this was designated as the City Council area on 8th September 2014 and remains in force and relevant to our NP.

4. Meeting with Andre Sestini on 7.2.20.

Noted.

5. Arrangements with Stuart Todd.

ST's Project Plan was considered and accepted subject to amendment to reflect that work on a Design Code will take more time than that provided for. ST will carry out the work referred to at 3 above and attend our meeting on the 10th of March.

6. Reports from topic groups

Statistics Ian Robinson is working on this

Vision etc To follow

Heritage Helen Ellison and Tina Speake are working on this and will take into account the potential inclusion of the Local List

Housing Jenny Rust and Graham Barrow have undertaken work on this and will provide an amended version for discussion.

Infrastructure	Chris Winter, AFI'A and TS are working on this
Transport	TS has met with Cllr Jennifer Linsdell and is working with her and the "Cycling Group" on WCC.
Retail	CWi plans to meet the Chamber of Commerce
Tourism	CW & AFI'A
Natural Environment	AFI'A is undertaking work on Local Green Spaces and is hoping for a volunteer to help with this
Community Engagement	AFI'A, CWi and IR are planning this
Project Planning	ST has provided a draft of the former and is working on the latter.

7. Design issues

- a) There was general assent to the possibility of the application for Locality funding for 2020/2021 incorporating reference to a Design Code. A "Movement & Access Strategy" could be considered.
- b) AFI'A reported on his tour with TS of the Barratts Estate to the east of Morrisons and there was enthusiasm for similar tours of Bishops Brook and Vicarage Fields on Glastonbury Road and the David Wilson Homes and Bovis estates on Wookey Hole Road.
- c) "Building Better; Building Beautiful" report was discussed.
- d) It was agreed that Local Green Spaces should be incorporated in the NP.

8. Relationship with St Cuthbert Out Neighbourhood Plan/Memorandum of Understanding

Cllr Ian Humphreys of SCOP spoke regarding their intention to revive their NP. He hopes to be able to attend future meetings and the WNPSG hope to provide representatives at their meetings.

9. Review of membership

Cllr Crummay was welcomed as a new member and confirmed her interest in the WNP.

10. Ripon NP

It was agreed that, although the Plan had failings, its similarity with Wells might be useful. CWi has made steps to contact some of those involved in the Ripon Plan

11. AFI'A undertook to provide paper copies of the Conservation Area Appraisal and the Shopfront Guide.
12. Next meeting – 10th March at 7 pm in the Town Hall

Adrian I'Anson
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