

CHEDDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

Notes of Neighbourhood Plan Meeting

Wednesday 19th March 2014

Present Ann Tarbox, Christine Fee (PC), Derek Town, Amie Town, Sandra Jenkins, Kathryn Coulson, Val Cooper, Peter Cooper, Nova Strange, Chris Poll (PC), David Finch, Marion Foe, Gail Steed, Dave Fisher, Andrew Hattersley.

Apologies Rob Grant, Andrew Docherty.

Chairman Chris chaired the meeting

Previous meeting 19th February – accepted

Matters Arising

- **Website** - The Vision Statement and notes of meetings are on the website. After looking through questionnaires the Village Assets need to be agreed prior to putting on the website.
- **Grant Monitoring Form** – Peter to talk to the PC Clerk next week at the Parish Assembly.
- **Action Plan** – Jean Fox has referred this to Neil Homer. No answer received.

Questionnaires

- The majority of information from the Questionnaires was collated in time for the 2nd March event.
- Several completed questionnaires have since been submitted. These will be added to the data collated.
- It is important that the questionnaires are kept for future reference if needed. Chris took the questionnaires to store.

Public Event – “Have Your Say Day” – Sunday 2nd March

- Posters, The Vision Statement, photographs, plans of the village showing sites that could possibly be developed, recreational suggestions and questionnaire results were on display at the event.
- Over 100 people attended the event.
- Visitors were invited to put messages on “Post Its” with regard to sites and facilities they would like to see. These have been typed up and will be available soon.
- The views expressed at the event varied but some of the topics that came up frequently were the School capacity, GP facilities, Youth facilities, elderly housing and housing for first time buyers. Everyone seemed to agree that mixed development was needed rather than just one type to keep the village as a village with something for all age groups. A lot of people liked the idea of having more recreational facilities (for youngsters / teenagers) and improving the Pavilion at the recreation ground. Possibly with a café / tea room included. When suggested the

idea of a Community Orchard along the railway line (from the orchard plots at the allotments all the way to the top of the recreation ground) was well received.

- Consultation with residents is ongoing, probably until May and the SG would welcome more views from residents.
- It was agreed to approach village organisations to ask if they would like someone from the NP steering group to visit or if they have any concerns. If appropriate a display could also be provided at the village Fete in July,
- The Chairman thanked the SG for a successful event which in addition to being very informative was also enjoyed and appreciated by those attending.

Site Visits

- Andrew and Christine walked round the village to look at the following sites; The Orchards (five areas), Croft Meadow, Hillside / Leeches Way, West End Road, Barkham Close, Partridge Close, TT Field, Land between Falcon House and the old allotments, The Baulk, Station Road, Mentmore Road, Blenheim area.
- These have not been assessed yet as it is considered advisable to have help from Nigel Homer / Jean Fox with this.
- From the questionnaires and comments left at the Have Your Say Day it would seem that residents would like development to be mixed, in small areas and spread over several years so that the effects on infrastructure can be monitored.

Correspondence

- E-mail from Berrys, Chartered Surveyors & Valuers regarding the 12 acre field that backs on to Gooseacre, Leeches Way and Manor Pound Road to request that this area or part of it be considered for residential development. (This is one of the areas for assessment). **Christine** has acknowledged receipt.

Next Course of Action

- Agreed to ask Jean Fox and Neil Homer to our next meeting for procedural information. **Christine** will e-mail them.

Parish Assembly – Wednesday 26th March

- The NP presentation from 2nd March will be re-used at the PC Parish Assembly meeting together with any updates. Members of the SG are welcome to attend and to encourage others who perhaps missed the Have Your Say Day to attend also.

Next Meeting Dates

- The next meeting is on Wednesday 16th April, 2014 at **7.30pm**
- Weds 21st May is booked.

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm