

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

Notes from a meeting held at the ACC on the 21st October 2015

Present were the chairman, secretary and representatives from Upper Marshwood Vale and Hawkchurch Neighbourhood Plan Steering Groups.

Confirmed that notes would be kept of all meetings. Both EDDC and WDDC had approved the areas of the Neighbourhood Plan. EDDC had a specific officer to deal with neighbourhood plans, whilst confirmation was required regarding the level of support available from WDDC. In addition, EDDC, would be willing to provide a grant of £2k towards the plan. WDDC were not willing to provide such funds.

Agreed that the chairman would attend the next meetings of Hawkchurch and Upper Marshwood councils to outline the key areas to which the steering group would concentrate on. Cllr Cameron would produce an article for 'Beneath the Vale' and a similar article for the Hawkchurch Parish Magazine.

Mike Robinson informed the meeting that he would be leaving the area during 2016 and suggested that Charles Somers might be willing to take over as chairman.

Agreed that there would be a further meeting on the 2nd December at 7.30pm. There was a need for public engagement under the Neighbourhood Plan requirements. This would be discussed in more detail for the new year.

WDDC to provide a detailed map. Cllr J Sewell agreed to deal with this action point.

Agreed that it would be a good idea to join the CPRE and to have copies of their Guide to Neighbourhood Planning, which all agreed should be taken as our standard for our working plans.

It was confirmed that up to £8k is available per Neighbourhood Plan, however, any funds must be spent within six months of receipt.

Next meeting: Wednesday 2nd December at the Axminster Conservative Club 7.30pm