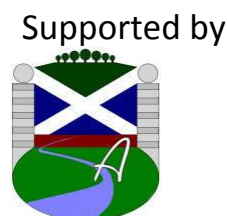# MILBORNE ST ANDREW
# NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN WORKING PARTY

MEETING HELD ON 6th OCTOBER 2016

No. 24

IN THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE ROOM

1. A member of the public requested that he observe the meeting, after discussion (with the member outside the room) it was decided that he would be allowed to stay and observe only, but would be asked if he had any comments before we started. He had no comments or requests.

2. The proposed presentation by Mr N Jacobs and Mr A Adams was cancelled due to circumstances outside their control. They will contact us again when they receive future instructions.

3. Richard MacNair (RM) was introduced; he has kindly offered to assist in the questionnaire analysis. His background is in data analysis for a large beer producer.

4. Present: Mike Brown (MB), Georgina Carrington (GC), Susan Gould (SG), David Gould (DG), Ronald Hogg (RH), Michael Hopper (MH), Pam Shults (PS), and Jo Witherden (JW).
   Apologies received from: Sue Cherry (SC) and Quentin Miller (QM).

5. The Minutes of Meeting No. 23 of the 15th September was approved with no amendments.

6. Matters Arising:
   a. Item 7a – the Parish Council have been informed about the comments concerning the bus shelter etc. The NPG Group feel that at a later time we would benefit from the assistance of an Independent Transport Consultant.
   b. Item 7d – concerned unwittingly interpreting the received data to match a personal preference for a preferred outcome. RM confirmed that it was necessary to merely interpret the received results whatever they turned out to be.

7. There were no Declarations of Interest based on the Agenda of the meeting.

8. Questionnaire
   a. RM introduced his initial analysis of the results,
      i. He ranked each of the answers, changing our preferences of 2 positive answers, 1 neutral, and 2 negative answers, to ranking as +2, +1, 0, -1, -2. This could then be added and then mean averaged.
      ii. However he was also able to split these averages into age ranges, separating families with young children, through to families over the normal retirement age, over 4 stages. This gave an indication of how the age of the respondents may have coloured their opinions. However, in many places, the difference was minor.
      iii. RM felt we should see if the age differential and number of respondents in each age group matched the demographic of the village. MH to forward the details available so far in the Census 2011 that may help in this. RM commented that we had an extremely good return in numbers (220 out of 480 delivered), so the demographic would not be an important fact.
      iv. He was also able to map answers based on postcode to see if area of living impacted on choices, which, again, was minimal.
   b. Additional research and questions for RM:
      i. The question was asked whether we should be doing statistical testing on the results to show that they are significant and not gained by chance. RM will investigate, but this is probably not necessary.
      ii. The above ranking answers were Quantitative (countable), but the comments are called Qualitative (text driven), this is the task of the group, splitting the tasks as before. RM stressed that choosing an option and then commenting again in the open text box could not be counted twice. So the task of the group is to go through all the comments, pulling out
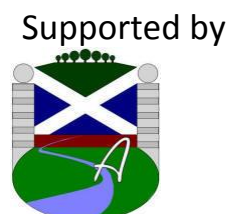
answers/comments that were in addition to the question asked. (EG if the shop is ticked as important, putting the shop again in the comments would have to be ignored, however if a new item, like a dry ski slope, is suggested, this would be noted (the slope wasn't suggested by the way!)). If an item comes up more than 4 times it should be highlighted.

    iii. Also it is important to separate opinion and fact, saying something **should be** is opinion, saying something **is** is fact.

    iv. PS has drawn out items in comments about traffic and parking, all negative, which reinforces the needs mentioned in 5a. Also those comments regarding open spaces, developments, renewable energy, and general village improvements. SG has also carried out a similar exercise in the comments about employment needs and businesses, listing based on catering/commercial/retail/community facilities etc. A café was the most mentioned extra resource.

    v. JW and MH are hoping to complete the housing data research. When looking at the housing data, this will be based on amount and housing needed, the group felt this would be the most controversial task we need to undertake. As regards the parking for new buildings (which is problematical in older parts of the village), RM is able to carry out an analysis on House vs Beds vs Adult potential drivers vs parking provision, based on the answers received, this will help in ascertaining number of parking places needed in new builds, rather than current recommendations.

  c. Moving forward: RM suggested a workshop, this should happen after we have completed the text survey (as in b (ii)). Also after the completion of outside source information for the housing survey. RM will guide or facilitate a guided walk thro, using flip charts, and using a type of group view form (where we all put in ideas, discuss, may even argue and end up, hopefully, with a meaningful end!). This was agreed; a provisional date of Sunday 27th November was made, starting 10.30, breaking at 12.30, and finishing at 3pm promptly.

  d. JW was asked about where we go from then on: This will be looking at any sites put forward, probably by a walk about. Finding out if there are any reasons for a site to be discounted, and in all cases to be impartial.

9. Reporter Article – there is little to report this month, so there will be no article.

10. Any Other Business:
  a. JW will use her contacts to see if we can find an available Independent Transport Consultant.
  b. Comment was made on the current communication issues in the village and the growing support on the village Facebook site for action, instigated successfully by Ed Richards (of the MSA Reporter).
  c. MB reported that the Environment Agency along with the 3rd party subcontractors staged a mock flood defence test, with very mixed and unsatisfactory results.

11. The meeting closed around 8.50 pm. The next meeting 3rd November 2016, 7.00pm, in the VH Committee Room.

TASK: Look through the comments boxes relating to your research area and also the general comment area at the end of the questionnaire, identify any new suggestions and list. If an item recurs regularly (suggests over 4 times) make a list, and bring to the next meeting.