

Report on Consultation Events

Friday 11th March 2016

Saturday 12th March 2016

Consultation findings on the suggestions for Fernwood Central and the proposed future developments the Northern and Southern areas of Fernwood



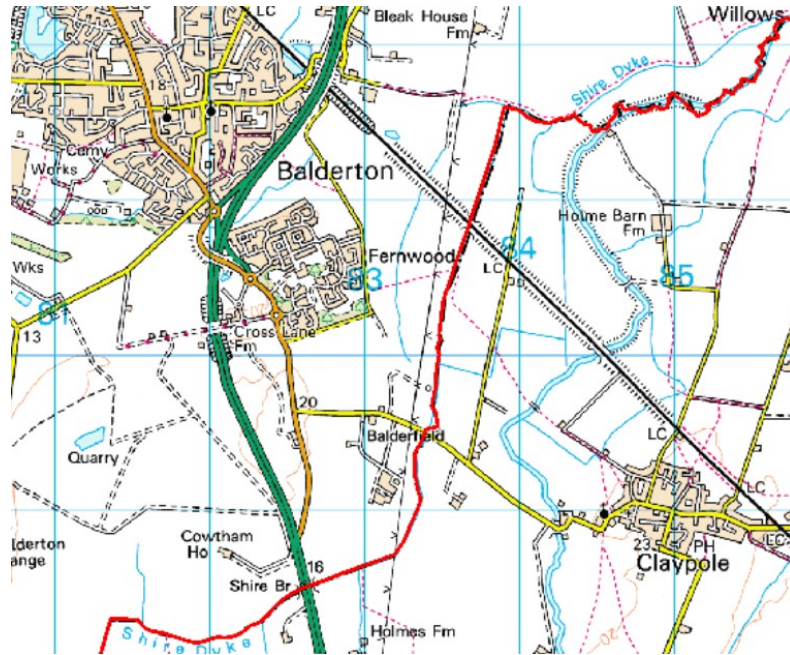
Introduction

1. On 11th and 12th March 2016 at the Fernwood Village Hall local people attended, commented and suggested ideas to enhance the current and future development of Fernwood.
2. This brief report details ideas from residents of Fernwood on the future of Fernwood Central and the developments of the northern and southern areas.



Area Maps

Fernwood including Balderton and Claypole



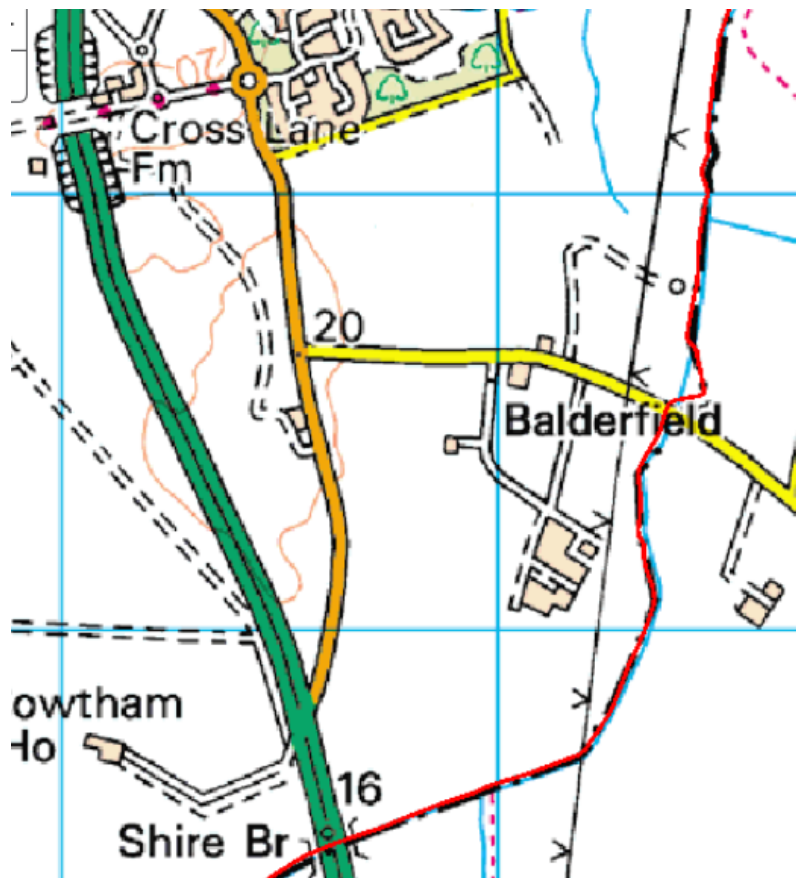
Masterplan of Fernwood Central



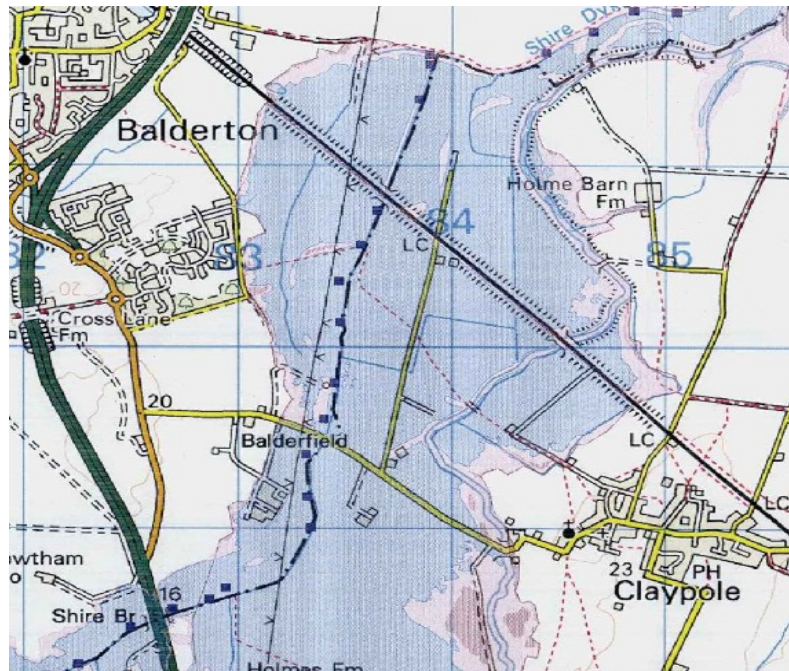
Proposed Plan of Fernwood North



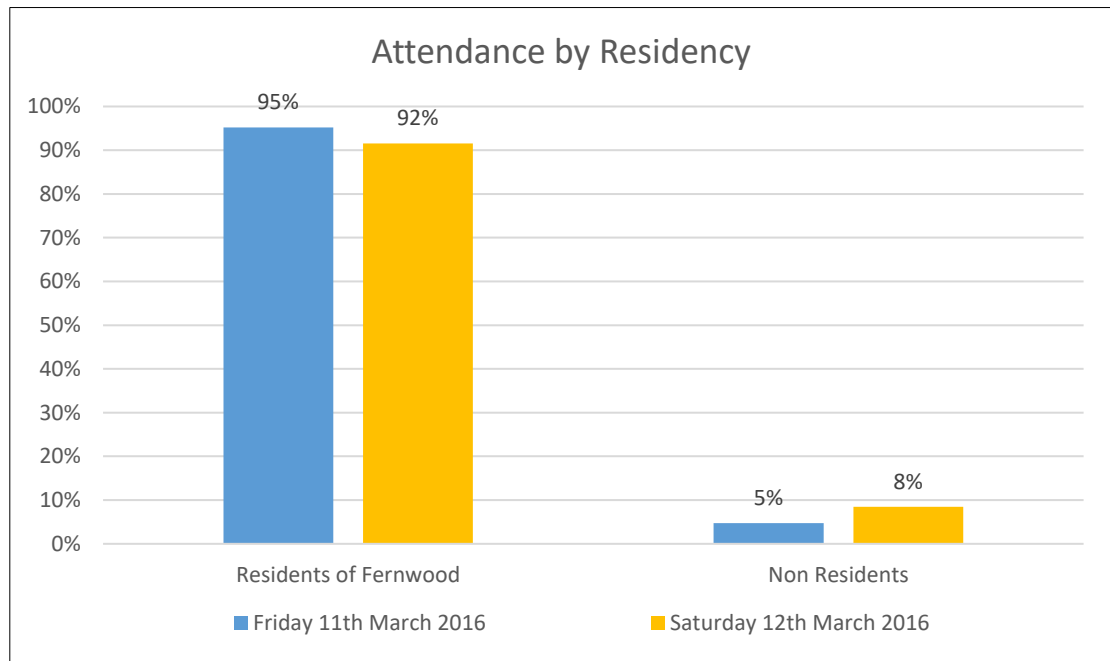
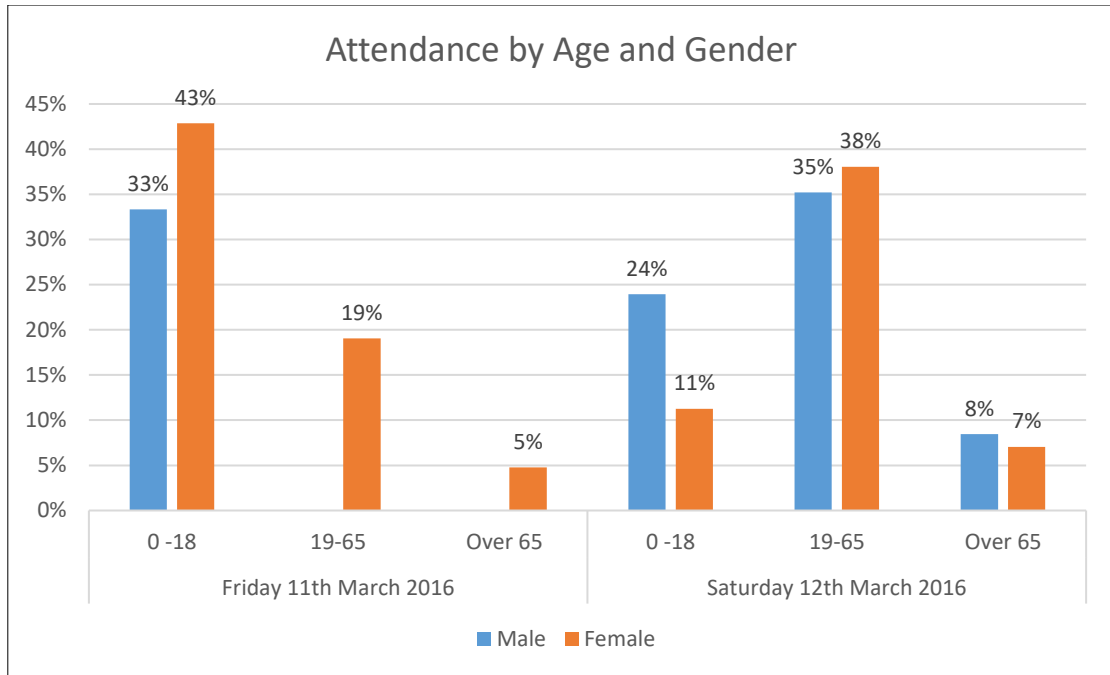
Proposed Build Area for Fernwood South



Fernwood including Potential Flood Areas



Attendance Data



General




3. The availability of indoor and outdoor recreational facilities were key concerns for residents, who had previously witnessed or been subject to, youth anti-social behaviour due to lack of facilities in Fernwood Central.
4. The table below identifies some of the equipment discussed at the event and identifying specific areas for children over the age of five to play safely.
5. The history of RAF Balderton and Balderton Hospital, currently identified as Fernwood today, was discussed. It was hoped that consideration of the work done by the RAF, RCAF and USAF during World War Two, would be taken into account when carrying out road or building naming.
6. Infrastructure continues to be a concern to residents, being that only one main road (The Great North Road) will link the various parts of Fernwood and it being the only access and egress into Fernwood and out of Fernwood to Newark, Grantham, Nottingham and Lincoln, once Hollowdyke Lane is blocked off.
7. Parking was identified as a serious issue within Fernwood Central and something that would need to be addressed by the developers and planning committee's for any future development of the Greater Fernwood Area.
8. Facilities for the younger residents was identified as a weak area and something that would need to be reviewed on a regular basis. Ideas from various age groups included a Youth Centre, Day Trips as well as fund raising activities.

9. Youth Group's including Rainbows, Beavers, Brownies, Cubs, Scouts, Guides, Air Training Corps, Army Cadets and Sea Cadets are seen as being only available in Newark and Balderton. This would need to be reviewed as Fernwood grows.
10. Fernwood Central was seen to be a maze of roads and paths that are difficult to navigate for visitors to Fernwood. A large roadside map would be a useful addition for the Fernwood Central area.
11. For many residents of Fernwood access to Doctors Surgeries and Pharmacies can be difficult, which in some cases require residents to travel to Newark. As Fernwood grows the need for these facilities grows with it and seen as a key area for any new development in Fernwood.
12. Currently there are no cafes or restaurants in Fernwood and residents would like to see these open as the area grows. This would need to be addressed by the developers and planners to ensure there are buildings available for these to be established.
13. Fernwood is built on ground that includes high levels of clay and makes any sporting area muddy and water logged after spells of bad weather. Good drainage needs to be incorporated in any future development along with all weather sports facilities.
14. The Clock Tower is seen as a very visual part of Fernwood that can be seen for miles around. Ideas were put forward to have this iconic structure revamped and have the clock repaired.




Conclusion

15. The tables and images below identify some of the wishes of the Fernwood residents and it is hoped that infrastructure and recreational facilities are reviewed by developers on an ongoing basis during the life of any future development.



Suggestion Table

Suggestion Title	Description
Sports	Astro turf all weather football and rugby pitches Netball, basketball and hockey area Cricket pitches Hall with high enough ceilings to accommodate indoor sports such as badminton.
Trampoline	Hole underneath the trampoline 
Metal Bars for back flips	
Swing with seat for laying down	

Suggestion Table cont.

Suggestion Title	Description
Climbing Frame/Net	
Tyre swing like the one in Devon Park	
Map of Fernwood	A display of a map of Fernwood with street names (useful for visitors, delivery and residents). Also signs for school (arrows)
Music and Art Groups	A group where musicians and artists can get together, share ideas and form bands. Could participate in local festivals and concerts for residents etc.
Youth Centre Porta cabin for use by Youth Groups in Fernwood.	

Suggestion Table cont.

Suggestion Title	Description
Environmental Parking	
Doctors and Pharmacies	

Maps showing various suggestions

The images below link to the tables above and show where residents have labelled areas on the maps where improvements and better facilities can be located in Fernwood.



Doctors and Pharmacy
Activities hall for groups to meet i.e., music, art, etc.

Water Jets area for all the family and a mix of sporting facilities.

