

Egerton Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Minutes of 8th meeting held Wednesday May 24th 2017, Sports Pavilion, Egerton

Present: Peter Rawlinson (chair), Elaine Graham, Graham Howland, Ian Mella, Melanie Rawlinson, Chris Burgess

1. The minutes of the 10th May meeting were approved without amendment
2. Peter Rawlinson took the group through a presentation that accompanied a workshop meeting that he attended hosted by ABC on forming a Neighbourhood Plan. This put forward lots of helpful tips and advice as well as procedural information. One of the key takeaways was to keep the final report simple and concise and focused on land use and the elements that are important to the village
3. Peter Rawlinson reported that Sarah Elworthy had offered to join the volunteers supporting the Steering Group focussing on the recreational, health and leisure areas of the Plan. This offer was accepted by the Group.
4. The group were reminded that ABC should hold a great deal of data and information about the Parish including environmental information - and that ABC should be an early port of call for data
5. There are up to £9k of funds available for Parishes of Egerton's size to help with forming the Plan
6. The group had a long discussion around how to start off the more detailed consultations on the Plan with the village. Eventually it was decided that a series of workshops/discussion groups should be the first major activity to which all residents would be invited to participate, followed by a more formal questionnaire. Part of the remit of this broader consultation would be to begin to formulate the criteria by which land use would be measured in the village.

The Steering Group decided that to start to build discussion guides, discussion topics etc for the village workshops then there should be a planning meeting to which the Steering Group plus the volunteers should be invited to take part. Richard King should also be invited to attend. The aim of this preliminary meeting would be to start to surface the discussion points that would be most pertinent to the village and to start to build a structured approach for the workshops - and to surface what information/data will be needed to be collected before the workshops can begin. Melanie Cox has already begun to photograph the village - with the aim of using these images in both the workshops and the discussion guides

The smaller preliminary meeting is scheduled for June 20. MR to ask volunteers along to the date (once we have confirmed that ABC has passed the request to produce a Neighbourhood Plan - PR to check at P Council meeting on June 6). PR will start the June 20th meeting at 7pm and take the volunteers through a brief update of the process and progress to-date before the more formal discussions begin.

The larger workshops, involving residents, would be scheduled for Sept/Oct. From these larger consultations the aim would be to surface the issues/concerns/views etc of the village residents that can be used to help create a meaningful and relevant questionnaire focused on the particular circumstances/ wants of the Parish.

The meeting finished around 9.20pm.