

Earls Colne Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting

Tuesday 4th June 2019

Attendees: Tony Calton, Robert Cook, Denise Siddall, Nicola Spelling, Hugh Street

Apologies: Margaret Barrett, Catherine Hayes

Introduction

- Minutes of last meeting approved.

Vision Statement

- 1st draft of vision statement discussed and amendments proposed. Tony to prepare second draft.

Questionnaire

- 174 returned questionnaires

Funding

- Agreed to submit a funding request to the Parish Council at the 19th June meeting, to cover promotional materials only.
- Denise to discuss free packages with Jan Stobart when they meet later in the month.
- Groups need to come to the next Steering Committee meeting with their plans on what needs to be done and suggestions on which packages they require.

Promoting the Neighbourhood Plan

- Discussed feedback from residents on not receiving the questionnaire. Profile of the plan needs to be raised within the village and various ways of doing this were discussed.
- Agreed to canvas areas within the village. Nikki Spelling to draft a list/strategy of where to go.
- Agreed to target the school fete on Friday 21st June as a pilot scheme.

Task Group Activities

- Environment – No update. Angela to check with Catherine on status of meeting with Jan.
- Economy – Next meeting scheduled for 24/6 – Jan Stobart will be attending. Team are collecting responses to their business questionnaires.

- Community Facilities – Meeting planned for next month.
- Infrastructure – Meeting to be held this month.
- Housing – Meeting on Thursday.

Update on Schools

- Ramsey
Questionnaire has been completed and they are in the process of pulling together their report. Meeting scheduled for 24th June.
- Honeywood
Positive meeting held with Deputy Head and the Year 10 Lead & Deputy Learners. They will speak to students from the village and get the questionnaire completed, before preparing a report which will be submitted by the end of the school term.
- Primary School
Targeting School Fete. Tony to adapt current questionnaire to be trialled by a couple of Year 6 students to see if it is feasible to approach primary school children.

Public Meeting

- Targeted for Tuesday 9th July at 7.30pm.
- Nikki Spelling to draft article for paper.
- Tony to circulate adverts for display in noticeboards.
- Facebook page to be established for the Neighbourhood Plan.
- Nikki Spelling to draft some questions for the Doctors Surgery to see if we can get a statement from them, liaising with Jayne and Jackie.
- Angela to see if Mrs Vine will put something in the newsletter to publicise the meeting and her attendance at it.
- All task groups need to consider what visuals they will need to have ready at the public meeting.
- Angela to arrange for printing and display boards.

Next Steering Group Meeting

- Tuesday 23rd July, 7.30pm, Council Chamber