

East and West Hanney Neighbourhood Plan steering committee

Minutes of Meeting on 7th December 2015

Present

Jim Triffitt (part), Paul Aram, Graham Garner, Stewart Scott, Jane and Steve McKechnie, Guy Langton, Angie Miller, Bill Orson.

Neighbourhood plan proposals

SS admitted that the Neighbourhood plan had been put on hold because of recent large planning applications taking significant time and effort to address. He proposed to relaunch neighbourhood plan. The original idea that has been approved by the District Council is that East and West will produce separate plans, but that the work required to collect information will be shared. The boundaries for both plans has been approved.

Community Plan

The Neighbourhood plan is different from the community plan in that it addresses land usage and is much more bureaucratic.

The Neighbourhood plan must be subservient to the local plan.

Steering Group

VWHDC has issued steering group guidance notes, and suggests that the group should have representatives from different aspects of the village community and life. SS proposed that there is one steering group for both plans. It was however important to make the steering group efficient. It was proposed that the group be consisted as follows

Graham Garner (WH Parish Council and Village Hall)
Eddie Wilkinson (WH Parish Council)
Stewart Scott (EH Parish Council and Hanneys Flood Group)
Angie Miller (Hanney Community Association)
Bill Orson (History Group)
Steve McKechnie (EH Parish Council)
Paul Aram (EH Parish Council and Hanney Youth Football Club)
Patrick Karney (Parish Church)
Jim Triffitt (EH Parish Council and Gardening Club)
David Kirk (EH Parish Council)

Members of the steering committee can ask extra people to help as necessary. Volunteers that have come forward include

Keith Diment - admin and document collation
Jason Kent - cycling
David Bromley and Gill Parry - housing design
Steven Pembroke - traffic
Stella Bricknell - buses

Evidence Base

Any policies must be based upon robust evidence. It is proposed to build the evidence base, then call meetings to look at specific aspects of the plan.

Funding

2 sources of money, from Localities funding and from VWHDC, these can pay for specialists to help produce evidence.

Timescales

Would like the plan in as soon as possible, an unapproved emerging plan has weight. Look to get to pre submission stage. Expect first drafts of policies and firm ideas within 6-12 months.

Other notes

A new law firm that has been set up and is willing to give free advice on planning issues.

Noted that if CIL is accepted then any development gives the parishes more cash and more control of what is spent. Can then spend reasonably on community need.

GG has been looking at equivalent size communities and their village hall provision and demands.

Actions

Committee members to read the Drayton and Great Coxwell plans before next meeting.

GL to give a copy of the community plan to AM.

GL to set up date for January Meeting

SS to send out copies of a draft terms of reference for the steering committee.