



**BEWDLEY**  
Town Council

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP**

### **NOTES OF A MEETING HELD AT BEWDLEY GUILDHALL ON MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017 AT 7.00 PM**

Present: Councillor Calne Edginton-White, Councillor Philip Edmundson (Chair), Councillor Derek Killingworth, Cllr Linda Candlin, Nick Farress (Town Clerk).

**Apologies:** Cllr Beeson

#### **Notes & Actions from last meeting**

Members provided an update:

Action 49: New storyboards will be produced by the TC once the draft objectives have been agreed ready for the 18<sup>th</sup> March consultation.

Action 52: Draft objectives and policies were still being worked on by Barbara in discussion with Sally Tagg.

#### **Draft Objectives**

The Group were happy with the draft objectives and policies subject to Sally's latest comments which had only been received today. The feedback from Sally so far is that she is happy we are going in the right direction, but some further work is required in terms of detail and maps showing specific sites and areas. The new mapping system should be in place by the end of January.

The following were discussed in relation to the objectives:

- Windfall property/sites. These should be identified in the plan and added to the overall housing allocation. There were a number that were tabled, including empty flats above shops, the Workhouse and former fishing tackle premises. It was agreed that Members start to map known sites/properties as this would be useful outside of the NP in any case. The Town Clerk agreed to speak with Sally as to how to integrate this into policy.
- Natural Environment – How specific can we be about protecting green spaces in the town? Can we add the loss of views from PROW for example? The green field areas to the west of the river were of most concern as they do not form part of the green belt and are therefore not protected elsewhere. The Town Clerk would get a steer from Sally on this.
- Shared spaces. We should add in that any new road development should give priority to shared space initiatives, as has been successful on Severnside South.
- Car parking. Can sites be specified even though they would be subject to compulsory purchase?

#### **Objectives and Policies Consultation**

The next consultation date is on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2017 11am-2pm. Wribbenhall Parish Room is booked and the format will follow the March 2016 consultation.

#### **WCC Draft Local Transport Plan version 4**

It was agreed to approve the Town Clerk's comments but add in the written amendments made by Councillor Beeson. The Town Clerk asked Members to submit any more comments by Friday before the response is sent to the County Council.

**Date of Next Meeting: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017 5.30pm.**