

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP**

### **NOTES OF A MEETING HELD AT BEWDLEY GUILDHALL ON MONDAY 20<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2017 AT 5.30 PM**

**Present:** Councillor Calne Edginton-White, Councillor Philip Edmundson (Chair), Councillor Derek Killingworth, Cllr Linda Candlin, Cllr John Beeson, Nick Farress (Town Clerk). Cllr Anna Coleman and Cllr Stephen Clee were also in attendance.

**Apologies** - None

#### **Draft Objectives and Policies**

The Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk held a meeting with Sally Tagg to discuss the draft objectives and policies drawn up following the results of the 2016 consultation and other gathered objective evidence. This included draft maps of the following which were presented to the Steering Group:

- Four identified sites for potential development as per discussions with WFDC and bought forward through their HELAA;
- Open spaces to be protected, particularly on the West of the river where there is no Green Belt protection;
- Recreation and sports areas to be protected;
- Area of separation which would protect the distinctiveness of Bewdley from neighbouring towns;
- A designated town centre zone;
- Riverside North regeneration zone.

It was **agreed** to accept the draft objectives, policies and maps and progress to the storyboard design stage.

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

The next consultation date is on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2017 11am-2pm. It was **agreed** that the March consultation worked well so a similar format would be used this time around. The only issue was that there was not a screen/projector at WPR so we would not be able to show the videos about neighbourhood planning. All members of the Steering Group said that they would be in attendance. The consultation would be advertised as follows:

- Bridge magazine (around 4500 circulation)
- NP and main Town Council website
- E-mail shot to database (around 250 contacts)
- Civic Society publication
- Town noticeboard
- A-Boards outside the museum
- 250 leaflets would be printed and delivered around the town
- Digital screens in St George's Hall café and the TIC
- Press release in the Kidderminster Shuttle

#### **Objective and Policies Questionnaire**

The Town Clerk advised that the questionnaire/survey would take the form of a "Strongly Agree/Strongly Disagree sliding scale for each of the objectives and policies. The maps would be linked to each policy via a map number and would be printed in the back of the survey booklet. The online SurveyMonkey version would have links to the maps which would be uploaded onto the website. The online version would be e-mailed out to our database (around 250 people), to the schools and added to the website.

**Next Meeting** - Scheduled Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 7.00pm.