

# BECCLES NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN OPERATIONAL GROUP MEETING

## **Notes from Meeting**

Monday 21 May 2018

10am

Beccles Library

## **Present:**

### **Operational Group Members**

Elfrede Brambley-Crawshaw, Chair Operational Group

David Goldstone, Vice Chair Operational Group

Graham Elliott

Heather Sexton

Carol Coote

Claire Mackney

John Sayer

Richard Stubbings

Andrea Downes

### **Other**

Terry Goodwin

Richard Belfontaine

## **Apologies**

Paul Fletcher

## **Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting on 30 April 2018 were approved

David to supply Graham notes from consultations to attach to the minutes

## **Project Plan**

Elfrede warned that it might take longer than stated in the project plan.

WDC may not be able to act as quickly as hoped.

## **CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy)**

London Road development – will this be “outline” or “detailed”? If “outline” there is a chance we will have the NP in place (made) in time to collect 25% of the CIL otherwise it will be 15%. This makes a significant difference to the amount of money available to the Town Council..

We need to pick up the pace to ensure we maximize the local benefit of CIL

Graham to check on implications of the council merger for the NP. How will CIL spend be determined after the merger?

## **Web Development**

Paul, Carol and David met with Tia Grace and discussed the design of the new website

Some personal profiles and photos are still missing. Details to David please ASAP!

Suggested we have a Twitter account

Graham says we still need a Facebook feed on the website – not just a link.

## **Vision and Aims**

Chris will do a technical document (when we ask him to) that will:-

1. identify the Local Plan policies which are likely to address our priorities. ie avoid

duplication

2. identify areas where there are gaps and we need to have policies.  
Chris will need all the evidence in the same grid format to do this.

Do we need to update vision statement using the feedback from engagement?

River Waveney Trust - Caroline Topping to get feedback

Beccles BTA – issues raised were:-

- accommodation for tourists
- Business rates – no out of town retail
- Stop town centre migrating

Need to visit shops/businesses to seek their feedback – Elfrede / Andrea / Heather / Claire to lead on this.

David led a brainstorming session on changes to vision and aims statement .....  
Each paragraph was discussed in detail and some changes agreed.

Add words about developing “skills for the future” and “local businesses engage with school” to vision document. Additional detail will need to be in the policy section.

Add a section on “environmental heritage”

Include a mention in for both “physical and mental well-being”

Visitor accommodation will have been expanded in our vision statement  
Roads will be maintained to a higher quality in our vision statement

John to write a policy on Public Rights of Way in proposed garden neighbourhood

Crime policy needed – design to reduce crime  
EBC to invite Dick W to talk about designing out crime

Claire to redraft the vision and aims document and circulate to group

But we also need to **start** writing policies

### **Challenges and Objectives**

Need to add something about flooding

Health – both mental and physical well-being need to be included

Tourism – lack of accommodation is an issue

### **Engagement Update**

Elfrede and David met with Dickon Povey and Stuart Halsey WDC.

The timescale for the NP will be a challenge. Graham to try and ensure that WDC provide support as needed and as quickly as possible.

Stuart wants to come to next meeting

NWR – David and Claire – to attend

School gate engagement – Heather and Josi have got the go ahead from Heather Thorn at

Beccles Primary Academy

**Grant**

David has done expression of interest – main form is now ready to complete

**Signage**

Wait until website is done

Sign to include logo, name and web address. GE to design. David to send Graham the logo (high res).

Print on plastic – need to be up for around six months so not laminated paper on board.

**AOB**

Next meeting will be on policy

Any policy related stuff for Chris, Navigus by Thursday

Community well-being event Tuesday 5 June – Blyburgate Hall

**Date of next meeting**

10am Monday 25 June 2018