

MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

Report of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 1st March 2016

Present: J Marsden Chairman

Also Present Cllr T Weston J Finnigan
J Gibbon B Morgan
J Weston H Woodman

1. **Apologies** K Cotton
R White

2. **Declarations of interest**

J Finnigan and J Gibbon declared an interest in relation to the Local Green Space.

3. **Report 17th February 2016**

The report was accepted .

4. **Amended Settlement Boundaries**

Rushall

The boundary of the orchard by the cross-roads was considered in some detail. Its protected orchard status, possible designation as a local green space and open space nature were referred to. In conclusion was decided to exclude the orchard from the settlement boundary by moving the boundary to the road.

The amended map was accepted.

Action

T Weston to produce and circulate the amended map.

Much Marcle

The shop, Brookside Cottage and garage were included in the settlement area, but it was decided that the new garages at Walwyn Court should be excluded from the area.

The amended map was accepted.

Action

B Morgan to produce and circulate the amended map.

5. **Local Green Space Boundary**

It was pointed out that the Bartons was included because of its recreational value whereas the Church, Mortimer's Castle and its environs were included because of their cultural and historical significance. It was decided that the immediate gardens of Swan Cottage and Lower Lodge should lie outside the local green space, but that the field and copse should lie within it.

The importance of Monks Walk in terms of its historical interest and recreational use for the health of the local community as a walking area was recognised by designating it as a local green space.

The areas on each side of the road up to the new fences from Dymock Road to Hellens to be included.

6. Evidence Base

The text descriptions of Rushall and Kynaston were presented by T Weston.

Action

T Weston to revise and circulate the revised texts to all for comment and then to J Marsden for inclusion in the Evidence Base.

J Marsden to note: For consistency the numbers of dwellings in each of the three settlement areas should be recorded.

Action

H Woodman to contact the Herefordshire Biological Records Centre in order to confirm the number of Local Wildlife Sites.

Action

J Finnigan to revise the text for the Broadband section in view of evidence gained from the Broadband Survey.

7. Planning for the Public Meeting to be held on April 11th at 7.00 pm.

Publicity

Action

H Woodman to design a flyer advertising the meeting and enclosing the Issues and Objectives document.

Action

T Weston to arrange for printing and distribution via Postman (Gordon) and Mercury April Edition. The shop, Parish Council Notice Board, and village/parish website(s) were suggested as other display points.

Meeting

J Weston to organise Power Point presentation.

1. J Finnigan as Chairman Welcome and outline of programme.
2. T Weston Idea of Neighbourhood Plan and value to Parish Council.
Q & A session.
3. J Weston & Issues and Objectives etc
J Marsden Convertible buildings & land allocations.
Q & A session.
4. J Finnigan Introduction to idea of Settlement Boundary.
5. T Weston Kynaston Settlement.
Q & A session.
6. T Weston Rushall Settlement.
Q & A session.
7. B Morgan Much Marcle Settlement.
Q & A session
8. J Marsden? What happens next?
9. J Finnigan? Review of meeting.
Final Q & A session

Opportunity for Further Comment

Maps on tables

Working Party members to be available for comment.

Comment Sheets to be available with possible replies made in following Mercury edition.

Maps Required

- Parish Map.
- Settlement Boundaries Kynaston, Rushall and Much Marcle.
- SEA 1&2 from Hereford Planning Flood etc.
- Convertible buildings – dots / numbers with attached list.
- Housing land allocations – land parcels to defined boundaries.
- Local Green Space.

Multiple copies required for Main Hall and Bob Dallow room.

8. A.O.B.

Neighbourhood Plan Project Time Line

The Chairman indicated that up to the end of March the group was about two weeks behind schedule, he intended to begin to tackle a draft plan at the earliest opportunity and would seek comments at each stage of the process.

The Chairman sought views on the desirability of a short delay to the start of the statutory six-week consultation period to avoid the August peak holiday season – this would mean some slippage probably between mid-August through to the end of September.

Locality Grant Application

A sub-group comprised of T Weston, the Parish Clerk, J Marsden and J Gibbon would convene at a suitable time in the new financial year in order to complete an on-line application for a Locality Grant for 2016 – 2017.

J. Gibbon

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