

**Meeting notes from
Maidwell With Draughton Parish Council
Neighbourhood Planning Steering Committee
On 7th November 2017, at 7.30pm
At The Old Rectory, Draughton Rd, Maidwell**

Present:

Alan Wagstaff

Keith Stanton

Paul Sanders-Hewett

Paul Turland (Chair)

Penny Munro (Parish Councillor)

Pete Redman (Secretary)

Andy Clarke

Martin Field

1. Introductions and apologies

Apologies were received from Robert Lankester, Terry Mortimer, Stefano Nuvoloni, Nich Wilson, and Fabienne Fraser-Allen.

2. Governance matters

None to report.

3. Notes of the last meeting

The notes of the 17th October meeting were agreed as a correct record

4. "Gathering Views" survey

We spent the main part of the meeting editing a newsletter to go to all households and business premises to thank everyone for the responses to the survey questions, summarising the results, and communicating the next steps.

5. Meeting with DDC

Andy Clarke, Martin Field, Paul Turland and Pete Redman had met with Jane Parry on Thursday 2nd November to discuss progress with the Neighbourhood Plan and DDC's progress with the draft Local Plan. A detailed not of the meeting was circulated.

The main action points are:

- We should review our proposed village confines so that the potential for new development is reduced in line with the majority view of residents.

- We should keep the field that has been discussed as a village green outside of the confine line.
- We agreed that it was outside the remit of the Steering Committee undertake any activity or pursue any discussions in respect of a village green, but if a viable proposal came forward an amendment to the plan could be considered at a later date.

A discussion on the confines should be had at a future meeting of the Steering Committee.

6. Next steps in drafting plan proposals/policies

Andy Clarke gave an example of how we might draft one of the policies. It was agreed that this was helpful. Without much hesitation it was agreed that Andy and Martin should draft policies for the other topic headings of the plan, all for discussion at the next meeting.

7. Landscape Character Assessment

It was agreed that we would not commission a Landscape Character Assessment for the Parish area, because:

- 1) There were no resources readily available for this
- 2) The County and Districts are revising the existing assessments
- 3) It was not clear whether one at a Parish level would add to these
- 4) It might delay our NP timetable.

8. Project Plan and Grant

We agreed the letter that should be sent to Groundwork/My Community about an extension for our grant timetable which currently expires on 31st December. Pete Redman will send off the request and report back.

9. Any other business

None

10. Date of next meeting is 5th December, venue to be agreed. Dates for the new year were discussed.

The meeting ended at 8.50pm