

NP committee meeting (11th April 2016)

Attending: Keith Williams (KW), Tim Cox (TC), Iestyn John (IJ), John Horrocks (JH), Bob Nelson (BN), Broadhembury PC)

Actions from the last meeting

Action 1: IJ to circulate example NP's. - *Done*

Action 2: KW to ask clerk to investigate whether EDDC recommended particular companies for developing the survey. – *Done. No company specifically recommended, but 3 suggested (one of which Broadhembury used)*

Action 3: KW to set up a meeting with Bob Nelson. – *Done and forms this meeting*

Notes from this meeting

BN gave a summary of Broadhembury's experiences with the NP. After reluctantly starting the process, BN felt that the exercise was positive, providing a clear basis from which their PC could make decisions. Also allowed them to bid for additional pots of money (e.g. work to address flooding on road to Broadhembury). BN indicated that a set of formal consultations had to be made with statutory bodies which would form part of the evidence base. It was thought that EDDC would have a list of these.

Action 1: KW to ask clerk to follow up with Tim Spurway which statutory bodies needed to be contacted and whether there was a template for doing this.

BN indicated that the NP needed to be consistent with EDDC's local plan and felt that we may struggle to have an NP which allowed development in some areas. IJ indicated that he believed that this could be successfully argued by reinstating a logical village boundary. JH made the point that we should not pre-judge the outcome of the survey regarding any desire for more housing.

Clerk had notified the committee by email that the boundary for the Payhembury NP had now been agreed (same as parish boundary). This enables the committee to bid for grants.

BN strongly suggested using consultants to write the NP given the work involved and to ensure the language is correct. JH also thought they should be used to analyse the results of the survey. BN indicated that most of their costs were in consultancy fees and in total they had spent around 20K in total. This was by applying to successive pots of money from Locality (company set up to distribute grants from central government). Current grants available are 9K from Locality and 2K from EDDC. BN suggested that the 9K from Locality might be enough to get to the point of starting to write the NP. It's not obvious whether or not there will be a further grant available from Locality in the next financial year (BN thought it likely that there would be). BN indicated that grants from Locality involved sending a listed estimate of costs with one quote for each cost. He believed that the 2K from EDDC was more simple and just had to be applied for.

Action 2: KW to ask clerk to apply for 2K grant from EDDC.

Action 3: KW to investigate process for applying for Locality grant and prepare year 1 budget.

KW suggested that the Community Fair on April 23rd be used to inform people about the NP and ask open questions to determine the scope and overall vision for the plan. KW suggested a format of people writing ideas on post-it notes and sticking them on the table, also having example NP's for discussion. KW showed a proto-type poster and proposed that the PC do a maildrop to advertise the event. All in agreement with these ideas.

Action 4: KW, TC and other councillors to post slips through doors.

Action 5: KW and IJ to man NP stand at the fair (TC and JH already involved with other stands).

Action 6: KW to organise next meeting after the fair.