

Minutes

Lamerton Parish – Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Village Hall, Lamerton. 7 pm

Monday 10th April, 2017

Apologies – J. Broadbridge, M Jefferies

Present –J Edgar, G Manning, G Doble, M Bevan, D Green

Guest - Stuart Todds, a planning consultant who has reviewed the draft Neighbourhood draft plan and returned it with next steps. Attending to give further feedback and guidance.

Minutes of last meeting 6th March, 2017

Accepted as a true record.

Feedback and discussion

Stuart talked the group through the various stages of the process and items that we need to address. These included;

- The collection of evidence to support the plan including average development in Lamerton over the last 10 years, estate agent opinions as to housing needs, what can the local infrastructure sustain etc. This evidence could then be used to provide a strong indication within the policy of the housing development that the village could support on average each year.
- Regarding house sizes: Provide evidence that the policy is meeting demand. Views from the housing survey. What is the existing housing stock? How does this meet current demands? Use of the last census and feedback from estate agents. This could then be used to add recommendations within the policy.
- Development that ensures Lamerton remains a village with its own unique features. How building sites should be recommended in a clear and transparent manner?
- Changes to planning guidance that would make it easier for brown field sites to be built on. How would this effect the plan?
- A follow up discussion regarding the decision as to whether to include sites within the plan. It was felt that parishioners would like to see these included.
- How to protect certain area within the village such as the playing field, allotments?

Next Steps:

- Revisit points raised by Stuart within the draft plan.
- Send this amended copy out to the group.
- Review sites available at the next meeting.
- Plan to take draft plan to the public for comments.