

SHERSTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

Notes of meeting held on 16th September 2014

At 7.30pm Sherston Village Hall

PRESENT:

Mr J Matthews (JM) - Chairman

Mrs Sarah Wood (SW) - Admin Support

Representatives of the following Groups/Organisations

Mr Freeth (NF) Sherston Churches

Mr Knight (JK) Sherston Allotments

Dr P Petit (PP) Tolsey Surgery

Foxley Tagg (FT) Sally Tagg (ST)

Mr G Morris (GM) Sherston Parish Council

Mr K Smith (KS) Sherston Sporting Associations

Mr H Stevens (HS) Sherston Public

Mr M Johnson (MJ) Sherston Old School Committee

No members of the public were present. Definitions: "NHP" means Neighbourhood Plan

Item
<p>145 Apologies for absence: Mrs Curson, Mr Price, Mr Harvey, Mr Minors, Mr Thomson, Mr Hayman, Mr Rea and Mr Johnson and Mr Llewellyn – Palmer. JM commented that it was disappointing that not more members attended the meeting especially as their input and help at the weekend is much needed.</p> <p>146. Approval of notes from the June meeting The notes from the NHP meeting on 17th June were approved</p> <p>147. Correspondence The steering group received an email from a couple who live on Tetbury Lane asking if their land at Tetbury Lane could be considered for development in the NHP. The site has been acknowledged and it appears that if development was to take place on this land it would be a development of less than four houses. It was agreed that because of the potential scale is will not be included in the plan and will be up to the individual in the future if they wish to build on it.</p> <p>148. Update New homes for the elderly - Wiltshire Council are still progressing with the plan to build 10 new units for the elderly and the young.</p> <p>Surgery –Views are being collated from those visiting the surgery and leaflets have been compiled for the event at the weekend which explains the need for a new surgery. Dr Petit reported that the practice is aware of fears in the village that a larger surgery may attract development for developments sake, this is not the case and it is explained in the leaflets that the surgery needs more facilities in order to provide more services; it does not need more patients. The surgery has also agreed to display the boards in the surgery.</p> <p>Vicarage Site – This is progressing slowly.</p> <p>School – The school need to be asked what its plans are for the future.</p> <p>149. Forthcoming Workshop Over the summer small sub-groups met to discuss the forthcoming event. The following was suggested for the workshop– Explain the implications of each site and show how each site was assessed, and why certain sites were chosen over others. Display Boards will tell them what the Steering Group think, its journey so far, site explanation and those sites considered and those chosen</p>

The question of how many news houses for Sherston will be raised, after taking out all those with given planning permission the figure expected for Sherston is 16 new units over 20years. The question to be put to the public is do you want to stick to the minimum of 16 as required in the Core Strategy or do you want more. The advantages and disadvantages for each option would be explained. This will be the key issue/question at the event for the public to think about.

MJ asked the group if it was right to remove the allotment site from the list of possible sites for development, the group all agreed that the allotment site would not considered.

There will be two presentations on Saturday, 11am and 2pm. Boards will be on display, including one on the surgery and its future with accompanying leaflets. The public will be asked to complete 2 questionnaires. One asking for view on sites and housing numbers and the other regarding planning priorities and what the village wants protected. Each site will be explained why it was or wasn't chosen for consideration and it will be explained why the football field different from other sites put forward and that it is owned by the parish council.

Main point of the weekend is to get feedback and views from the public in order for the steering group to firm up policies on numbers of houses and sites. The aim is to put the possibilities in the public domain so the steering group can gain a snapshot of views. If turnout is low the questionnaires will be put in the Cliffhanger or through every door.

Discussion then took place regarding the wording of the questionnaires and how best to show implications of each site and if the potential number of houses per site could be included. The group all agreed with how to proceed with the workshop and the suggestions made.

150. ACTIONS

The steering group formed a basic rota of who could attend when over the weekend, it is important that the Steering group is driving it and to be seen to be driving it. It was agreed that ST would facilitate along with MJ and JM. SW would take notes at the presentation at 11am and 2pm

151.AOB

None

152. To confirm date for next meeting

The next Steering group meeting will be on 21st of October, there also be sub-group meeting before this to collate the feedback from the questionnaires. SW will not be able to attend the meeting on the 21st of October.

The meeting finished at 9.20pm