

RUDDINGTON VILLAGE PLAN

STEERING GROUP MEETING

*'CONSULTING WITH THE COMMUNITY TO PRODUCE A PLAN
WHICH WILL PRESENT YOUR VIEWS FOR RUDDINGTON'S FUTURE'*



Draft Minutes for Tuesday 14th October 2014 commencing 7.00pm at St. Peter's Rooms.

Present (alph): Annette Auckland (P C)
Cathy Brown
Linda Cooke Secretary
Helen Opie (P C) Project Manager
Barbara Venes (P C)
Gavin Walker Chairman
Graham Wright

Also present: Jenny Kirkwood (RCAN – Rural Community Action Nottingham)

Apologies: Phil Brown, Ali Ritchie

CHAIRMAN

In the absence of Ali Ritchie, Gavin Walker took the Chair as agreed.

MINUTES & UPDATES

The minutes from the meeting of 16th September 2014 were accepted.

Police Walkabout Surgeries

The Clerk to the Parish Council agreed to pass details of the 'Walkabout Surgeries' to the website administrator so that they could be included in the diary on the website and in the Village Newsletter.

ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE

At this point Graham and Barbara arrived.

The group spent considerable time discussing relevant questions using information provided by the visitors from previous meetings, along with comments from our own members. Ali had provided a list of questions she thought might be useful and Helen had researched other village plans providing a considerable amount of information. It was agreed that although there were too many questions at this time, there would be an opportunity to reduce the number at the next meeting and again at the review stage.

Provisionally the headings for these questions would be:

POLICING & CRIME

VILLAGE TRAIL, SIGNAGE AND NOTICE BOARDS

THE ENVIRONMENT

The group also acknowledged that for information purposes, it would be helpful to put a short introduction at the start of the 'Policing & Crime' section detailing the current numbers of police / PCSO's allocated to the village.

Similarly, under 'The Environment', a short introduction would say where the current recycling centres are in Ruddington and what can be recycled at those sites.

Linda would type up the list of questions for this section and email it out to members for reviewing at the next meeting.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Graham reported that the questions posted on the Facebook and Twitter sites had generated considerable interest and appeared to be engaging more people.

The question referring to a teen shelter had raised comments about the need for a facility now that the Youth Club has closed. The question asking whether residents felt safe in the village mostly attracted comments about street lighting, although zebra crossings and the school run were also mentioned.

Members confirmed that whilst these sites have a limited following within the village, the questions highlight issues that are important to those residents.

It was agreed that the next two questions would be about the use of open spaces in the village and whether residents felt the need/desire for a dedicated street cleaner.

NEXT STEPS & VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

The next meeting would move on to the section of 'Business and Commerce' and it was agreed that some additional members of the public involved in local business should be invited to attend.

OTHER MATTERS

Future meetings

The following dates have been provisionally booked for meetings in the lounge at St Peter's Rooms: 11th November, 9th December 2014, 6th January, 3rd February, 3rd March, 7th April and 5th May 2015. Linda acknowledged that there was limited availability of the room in 2015 and that it might be necessary to change some of the dates and meet at an alternative venue, possibly someone's house.

ACTIONS

1. Linda to compile questions for the Environment and Heritage section from the discussion notes and circulate to members before the next meeting.
2. Linda to invite suggested residents and business owners to the meeting on 11th November.
3. Graham to post the two selected questions to Facebook and Twitter
4. Agenda items for the next meeting:
 - a. To progress the social media sites and review the feedback from the online questions
 - b. To identify issues relevant to the 'Business and Commerce' section of the Village Plan questionnaire.
 - c. To review questions under 'Environment & Heritage'.
 - d. Next steps
 - e. Any other items which may arise

CLOSE

8.30pm