

Neighbourhood Planning Group – Abbots Langley.

At Parish Office, Langley Road.

Thursday 26th April 2018 starting at 7pm

AGENDA

1. Apologies

Please let Peter know, before the meeting, if a member is not able to attend.

2. See attached Report Twelve to the Parish Council dated 26th February 2018.

As the Chair has been abroad on holiday for 5 weeks in February/March 2018 and then another family holiday for one week after Easter, little progress has been made on the Neighbourhood Plan since the end of February. The February Progress Report outlines the work plan going forward in 2018.

3. Housing Policies. – Report back on seminar on “Community Led Housing.”

Attended by Cllr Brenda Kersey and Jon Tankard on 20th February 2018. Seminar on ‘Community-Led Housing’ organised by CDA Herts ‘to help local parish councils to unlock the barriers to providing affordable housing for current and future generations.’

4. Housing Policies. – Press Announcement that five Local Districts are cooperating on Housing Development Requirements in their Local Plans to meet Government Targets.

This announcement is a major change for local housing policies. It is unclear whether this will result in no demand for development of housing on Green Belt land within the Parish of Abbots Langley. Until further information on this District Planning policy is explained, the Housing Policy for the Parish should remain as explained in Parish Council’s response to the Three Rivers District Local Plan – in September 2017.

5. Neighbourhood Plan Web Site

Using the Web design structure provided by John Austin, the proposed web site will be incorporated into the Parish Web site within the Section on ‘Planning.’ This work will be commissioned using the services of the Web Developer used by the Parish Council.

6. On-going Work Programme for 2018

See the programme of work as set out in the No Twelve Progress Report.

7. Ongoing Work from our Consultants to use the Government Grant.

John Austin’s work was completed on 13th December. Alison Eardley was commissioned on 8th December 2017 to do further work. Alison’s 30-page report ‘Abbots Langley Neighbourhood Plan – Parish Profile’ is attached and circulated with this agenda.

8. Meeting with other NP Groups in our area Kings Langley, Croxley Green, Chorleywood, and St Stephens (Bricket Wood)

We are aware that Neighbourhood Plans are being developed in some of our Neighbouring Parishes. Alison, our Consultant, is advising St Stephens and has been recently appointed by

Kings Langley. The Chair has been approached by three of the above four Parishes to meet with them to share information and experience in a spirit of cooperation. No action yet on this meeting.

9. Any other business

10. Dates of next meeting is: **28th June at 7pm at the Parish Council Offices.**

Note: There is no committee meeting planned during May 2018

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The Nine Assignments associated with Building the Evidence Base.

Key Themes

1. **Demographic profile of the local population from 2011 Census data etc.**
2. **Land Use distribution and major planning proposals across the Parish** – possible key sites for future development or change of use to meet public requirements.
3. **Enhancing the local centres in the main settlements** - Abbots Langley village, Bedmond, etc.
4. **Key green spaces and preserving the natural & historic environment / tree preservation orders etc.**
5. **Local shopping facilities and their diversity**
6. **Education – Future capacity of local schools for local children** - primary and secondary. Impact of Academy Schools changing their catchment areas.
7. **Future Health Care** – Medical Centres and Services within the parish
8. **Transport and Communications** – including walking and cycle networks, traffic safety concerns, speeding, parking, local congestion points, public transport provision, broadband networks, etc.
9. **Possible extra capacity for Burial Grounds**

Note: Additional topics can be added when identified from our interactive web site etc.

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