

Abbots Langley Neighbourhood Plan (NP)

Bi-monthly Progress Note to Abbots Langley Parish Council –

Report Fourteen – 3rd July 2018

The Neighbourhood Planning Group last met on Thursday 26th April 2018. Their next meeting is planned for 7pm on Thursday 26th July 2018. The meeting scheduled for 28th June was cancelled.

Work is continuing on:

Phase 5 'Building the Evidence Base'

Phase 6 'Identify the key Themes, Aims, Vision, Options.'

Phase 7 'Write the Neighbourhood Plan – Policies'

1. Preparation of the Draft Planning Policies for the Neighbourhood Plan

At the last meeting of the Neighbourhood Planning Group, the Chair circulated a Draft Structure for the proposed Abbots Langley Neighbourhood Plan. We are continuing to write the Draft Policies for the Neighbourhood Plan and making on-going enquiries about selected sites in the Parish that are of interest to us.

In Autumn 2018 we expect to have published announcements from the District Council about:

- a) The Local Housing Strategy for the five Local District Councils and their joined-up policies.
- b) New Sites for possible development identified in the Parish of Abbots Langley - as submitted by land owners to the District Council for consideration in the new District Local Plan.
- c) Published Review of the use of the Metropolitan Green Belt Land in the Three Rivers District
- d) New National Guidelines for Planning Policies in England.

We are trying get our draft written planning policies for the Neighbourhood Plan prepared by the end of July. However, any proposals in the Neighbourhood Plan for specific sites are best considered after the publications above are available. Hopefully we will have a programme of public consultation and participation on our Neighbourhood Plan from September to December 2018. This programme will be planned in August 2018.

2. Government Grant application and Web Site Development.

We are making a further application for our remaining Government Grant money. We can apply for up to £4450. Part of this grant can be used for developing pages for the Neighbourhood Plan web site which is to be incorporated into the Abbots Langley Parish website.

Work on the web pages should be completed by September 2018. This will be coordinated with the public participation programme. The Commonplace web site for the Neighbourhood Plan has been renewed for a further 12 months from 1st July 2018.

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