

## **Abbots Langley Neighbourhood Plan**

Bi-monthly Progress Note to Abbots Langley Parish Council – Report Two.

1<sup>st</sup> July 2016

The Neighbourhood Planning Group has met on further two occasions in May and June 2016. Future meetings will be monthly – changed to the **third Thursday of the month**. In May, we designed and printed 12,000 leaflets for widespread distribution across the parish during the next four months. i.e. 8,500 households, 500 businesses and possibly 100 organisations. The leaflet explains the Abbots Langley Neighbourhood Plan process and how residents, organisations and businesses in the Parish can participate. The leaflet is linked with the launch of an interactive web site on: <https://abbotslangley.commonplace.is> and a Facebook page to start the dialogue with the public via social media. Public contributions by post and by attendance at public meetings are also encouraged. Aerial photography of the whole parish has been purchased for use in our public engagement programme.

This **'Initial Engagement with the Community'** is to identify local issues and aspirations from which the Neighbourhood Plan can be formulated. The team helped with the Neighbourhood Plan Stall at the **Abbots Langley Carnival** (11<sup>th</sup> June) engaging in positive dialogues with the public. Another opportunity is planned for the **Three Rivers Abbots Langley Forum** in Bedmond on 5<sup>th</sup> July. Also a stall is booked for the **Bedmond Village Summer Fair** on the afternoon of 16<sup>th</sup> July. Further public meetings are planned in the Autumn. We will be seeking advice from parish councilors about who to contact in their local areas to set up local Neighbourhood Community Groups in the Autumn.

Databases are being assembled to plan our engagement with local businesses. A further meeting was held with Claire May, the Principal Planning Officer and Renato Messere, Head of Economic & Sustainable Development at the Three Rivers Council. Claire and her colleagues are helping the team assemble relevant planning documents and data for **'Building the Evidence Base.'**

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