

Abbots Langley Neighbourhood Plan

Bi-monthly Progress Note to Abbots Langley Parish Council – Report Three – 1st September 2016

The Neighbourhood Planning Group met on two further occasions in July and August 2016.

We are continuing with our work on:

- Phase 4 'Public Engagement and Consultation'
- Phase 5 'Building the Evidence Base'

These two phases (out of eight) will continue for the rest of 2016, as we distribute 12,000 leaflets across the parish to 8,500 households, 450 businesses and possibly 100 voluntary organizations. We have created detailed spreadsheets of all businesses and organisations in the Parish analyzing their characteristics - using public data from Three Rivers District Council and our local searches. The 2011 Census data has been used to understand the characteristics of the local parish population. We are contacting local resident groups and met with the Abbots Langley Biz Group in August.

We have received 55 comments on the interactive web site (<https://abbotslangley.commonplace.is>) We can use our web site in a survey mode when talking to contacts. We hope to participate in more public meetings in October. We need to get 100's of comments before we focus on the key issues for the Plan. So far we have identified at least twelve issues on which we require 'Local Topic Reports' for the 'Evidence Base.' To do this, we need to recruit more volunteers who enjoy collecting information/reading Council Reports/ and writing Topic Reports. We have had two formal resignations from our Group for personal reasons, and two other members have not been able to attend any of our monthly meetings except the first one - due to other demands on their time. It will be good to get the four places filled by people who have the time and interest in the work. Has the Parish Council any suggestions on recruiting?

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