

## Neighbourhood Planning Group – Abbots Langley.

At Parish Office, Langley Road.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May 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 Nineteen to the Parish Council dated 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019.

This report confirms that the First Draft of the Neighbourhood Plan was produced and circulated to NP Team members in early March for comment. It was circulated to all Parish Councillors by Tim Perkins on 1<sup>st</sup> April and comments/questions were requested. No comments on the Draft Plan have been sent to Peter Warman by 28<sup>th</sup> May 2019 by the Parish Council members.

#### 3. Developing Policies for the Neighbourhood Plan

At the end of May it was intended to take received comments on board and produce a second draft of the ALNP. This is for publication on the Parish Web site so that a programme of public consultation can commence. This was to be from June to October 2019. As no comments have been received to date from the Parish Council the process of redrafting has been stalled.

#### 4. Public Consultation for the Neighbourhood Plan (ALNP)

The following methods for conducting a public consultation were discussed at the last bi-monthly Planning Meeting

- i) Questionnaire Design for Residents –
- ii) Focus groups – To seek the views of residents, a series of Focus Groups across the Parish could be arranged to take place from June to September 2019.
- iii) Abbots Langley Commonplace Survey Module
- iv) Public Talks and Exhibition (first week of October 2019 in the exhibition space at the Henderson Hall has been provisionally booked for one week)
- v) Bio-Diversity Survey
- vi) Valued buildings and spaces in local neighbourhoods.

None of this work can proceed without the completion of the Second Draft of the Neighbourhood Plan. Also, the Neighbourhood Planning Team does not have the volunteers with the necessary time and skills to conduct the Public Consultation Programme during the next five months.

The Chair has to reduce his involvement in the work on the Neighbourhood Plan to increase the care for his 99-year old mother who is undergoing hospital tests in June and requires full-time home care at his family home for the rest of her life.

**The Parish Council will need to recruit additional volunteers or commission suitable consultants to continue the work on the Neighbourhood Plan. The work programme will be stalled until these additional resources are available.**

**NOTE: Legal requirement for Pre-submission consultation and publicity**

**Regulation 14.** Before submitting a (neighbourhood) plan proposal to the local planning authority, a qualifying body must—

- (a) publicise, in a manner that is likely to bring it to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the neighbourhood area—
  - (i) details of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan;
  - (ii) details of where and when the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan may be inspected;
  - (iii) details of how to make representations; and
  - (iv) the date by which those representations must be received, being not less than 6 weeks from the date on which the draft proposal is first publicised;
- (b) consult any consultation body referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 whose interests the qualifying body considers may be affected by the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan; and
- (c) send a copy of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan to the local planning authority.

**5. Liaison Meetings with Hertfordshire CC and Three Rivers District Council**

No progress has been made in getting comments and information from the County Council and District Councils for the Neighbourhood Plan in response to specific questions. The County Council offered to comment on the First Draft Report but answering specific questions was not possible due to lack of resources and their other priorities.

**6. Any other business**

**7. Dates of next meetings are 25<sup>th</sup> July and 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 7pm at the Parish Council Offices**

Peter Warman.

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Other Attachments:

1<sup>st</sup> May 2019 - Number Nineteen Bi-monthly Progress Report