

## Bi-monthly Progress Report to Abbots Langley Parish Council – Report Twenty-Three – 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020

The Neighbourhood Planning Group last met on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 7pm. The next meetings are planned for Thursday at 7pm **on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020 and 26<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at the Parish Council Offices.**

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'

Phase 8 'Consultation on the Plan. Amend the Plan.'

When the above four phases are complete, the Draft Neighbourhood Plan will be submitted to the Three Rivers District Council. If accepted, the Plan will be subject to an External Review.

### **1. The Executive Summary for the First Draft of the ALNP**

The Executive Summary has been prepared and approved by the ALNP Planning Group. As agreed, this Executive Summary is submitted with this Progress Report for approval by the Full Parish Council at their January 2020 meeting.

### **2. Preparing the Second Draft of the Abbots Langley Neighbourhood Plan (ALNP)**

Further work is required by the Neighbourhood Planning Team to finalise the Second Draft of ALNP. To produce the second draft, significant time is being given to presenting the written material including improved layout, photographs, maps and diagrams, etc. This is to ensure the public find the document easier to read and understand.

### **3. New members appointed to the Neighbourhood Planning Group.**

In November 2019, Cllr Robin Powell joined the ALNP Group as a PC member and Brenda Kersey returned to the NP Group, but this time as a lay member. This follows from the ALNP Planning Group Chair requesting the Parish Council to appoint two additional Parish Councillors and, say, one lay member to attend the Neighbourhood Planning meetings every two months to complete the work on the ALNP. These new members replace the three members of the Planning Group who left during the last three years.

#### **4. Budgets requested for the work on the Neighbourhood Plan**

The Parish Council asked for estimates to be included in the Parish Council Budget for the next twelve months. This information was submitted by the Chair of the NP Group to the Clerk of the Parish Council for the period up to March 2021.

#### **5. Providing a local focus for the policies as applied to particular communities**

The planned consultation programme can start when the Second Draft of the Neighbourhood Plan has been published. It is hoped to commence this Consultation Phase (8) of the Abbots Langley Neighbourhood Plan by April 2020. This work should ensure there is widespread publicity for the content of the ALNP amongst local residents and local businesses.

#### **6. Coordinating with adjoining Neighbourhood Plans.**

Approaches have been received by the NP Planning Group to liaise with St Stephens and Kings Langley Parish Neighbourhood Planning Groups.

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