

Breadsall Neighbourhood Plan

Minutes of Advisory Group Meeting 6 February 2017

Present; A Williams, B Hodgkinson, M Poplar, G Pook, M Flude, C Brewster, S Mircic, H Foster, G Smith, S Peck, J Dugdale, S Read.

Locality Grant Application

Locality have now approved a grant of £2620 to cover the period up to the end of the financial year and this will be paid to the Parish Council shortly. Invoices will be required for expenditure items over £1,000. Unspent funds must be returned but this will not reduce the total grant eligibility. A fresh grant application will be required shortly to cover the next six-month period. J Dugdale will supply an updated project plan and a provisional budget for this period to assist with the next application.

Initial Questionnaire.

Approximately 50 questionnaires were returned. The residents' questionnaires generally represented the whole household and the returns were heavily weighted towards the older age groups. A Williams displayed a graphic analysis of the answers to the eight questions and this will be included in the presentation at the public meeting. The returned questionnaires show a generally clear and consistent response based around the following key objectives

- To maintain the rural character of the parish as a separate entity from the Derby conurbation, through retention and enforcement of the Green Belt.
- To limit development to small scale infill development within the village envelope, built to densities and design standards which are compatible adjoining property.
- To prevent development which represents a flood risk or which adds to existing road traffic problems within the village
- To preserve and enhance local facilities (especially the village shop, memorial hall, bus services, church, greenways and school).

There were many references in the questionnaire responses to the adverse effect of heavy through traffic in the village, congestion on the A61 and the proposed new A38/A61 junction. The Neighbourhood Plan cannot, however, deal with County Council or Highways England functions including highway management, waste disposal and minerals. The responses on these topics may nevertheless be used by the Parish Council in other lobbying activity.

Breadsall Statistics

S Read has produced and circulated a summary of the statistical material supplied by OCSI in relation to the Parish. The key findings are as follows

- Proportion of people aged 65+ is well above average
- Proportion of single person and lone parent households is well below average
- On all measures of deprivation Breadsall is significantly less affected than average
- The proportion of economically active residents is about average
- Unemployment is very low
- The proportion of residents in professional and managerial occupations is well above average.
- Levels of education are well above average
- 93% of housing comprises detached or semi detached dwellings
- 90% of dwellings are owner occupied.
- Most dwellings are in the medium and higher Council Tax bands
- Car ownership is 91%. 58% of households have two or more cars.

Public Meeting

The meeting was fixed for 29 March, 7-9pm. C Brewster will confirm the booking of the memorial hall. The Advisory Group reviewed the PowerPoint presentation prepared by A Williams including input from J Dugdale. A Williams will now refine this as the basis for the presentation at the public meeting. S Read will supply an abbreviated summary of the key statistics and suggest a vision statement. S Mircic and H Foster will devise a quiz based on pictures of the village. B Hodgkinson has access to old pictures of the village if required. Refreshments and drinks will be provided.

S Mircic and H Foster will take the lead in organising publicity for the meeting. This will be based on the production of leaflets and the display of placards/banners in suitable locations. B Hodgkinson will suggest locations to display placards throughout the parish. Efforts will be made to maximise attendance at the public meeting through personal invitations and offers of transport where required.

Invitations will also be made to the MP, the local councillors for the Borough and County Councils and the Chief Planning Officer.

Communication.

New material can be added to the Parish Council website in the near future. This includes

- Results of the initial questionnaires
- Summary of key statistics
- Project Plan
- Details of the public meeting.

Bruce Broughton is revising the website to cater for these items.

H Mircic is designing a Facebook entry and demonstrated the initial version to the Advisory Group. In connection with this she requires a photograph of each Advisory Group member.

C Brewster has procured various logo designs from local schoolchildren. Attendees at the public meeting may be asked to pick the most suitable one.

Next Steps

Given the consistency of the initial consultation response and the apparent lack of conflict with existing planning policies it should be possible to proceed immediately after the public meeting with a draft of the Neighbourhood Plan This would then form the basis of the next public consultation.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 6 March at 4 Darwin Fields Close.