

**BRACKENFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN GROUP
AT THE CHURCH HALL, BRACKENFIELD
ON TUESDAY 15 MAY 2018 AT 6PM**

Present: David Wakefield, Caroline Wakefield, Andrew Towlerton (Consultant), Neal Steeper, Peter Pilsbury, Martin Philips, Mike Edwards, Christine Edwards,

Apologies: Linda Walker, Billie-Jean Poole, Michael Poole, Stefan Priest, Anne Edgar

Minutes of the meeting on 6 March 2018: Agreed.

Matters arising:

Tythe Maps: These are available from the Local Records Office. **ME will follow up.**

Consultation with Businesses: The draft business chapter and an accompanying letter have been delivered to all known businesses in the NP area. A response, including a Business Plan has been received from DW.

Mining information: AT is looking at how best to include mining issues and information. It was suggested that a link to the interactive Coal Board mining maps could be included in the Plan.

Footpaths: Peter has completed a comprehensive review of all the footpaths in the area which has been forwarded to RR for inclusion in the Plan. Discussions are underway regarding the suggested permissive paths.

General progress with the Plan:

The Draft Plan, including the housing section, is largely complete. Mapping issues with NEDDC are being resolved. A few minor corrections were made to the draft, which have been submitted electronically. The Plan reads very well and contains detailed local colour, making it distinctive.

Policy Options:

Maps: A series of maps has been drafted including Local Green Spaces; Important views into and from the NP area; Local character buildings. **AT will circulate electronic copies for everyone to review** before producing the final maps.

Plan Area: It was proposed that an Area of Special Local Character should be identified, which would be focused on an area loosely around the Green. An alternative proposal was suggested of using the new framework from Historic England (Historic Area Assessment) to cover the whole NP area. There was some discussion about the relative merits of each idea. AT will consult with an Advisor from Historic England East Midlands to find out whether the evidence gathered is strong enough to support the HAA or if any further evidence would be required. **AT will report back.**

Funding update:

There is sufficient funding available to cover all likely expenses including the printing of copies of the completed plan for residents, should this be desired.

The Church Hall has been booked for a series of monthly planning meetings and two days will be requested for the community consultation exhibition. **CE will ask for the invoice to be sent to Andrew Towler Associates.**

Community Engagement:

It was agreed that community consultation on the draft plan should take place on Sat 14th and Sunday 15th July. **AT will produce display boards** using a mix of text, maps and pictures to illustrate the key aims and emerging policies. Some copies of the draft plan will be produced for people to take away and read if they wish. Comments will be invited by the end of July. We are aiming at having a pre-submission draft plan ready by September.

Dates of meetings:

Next meetings: All at Brackenfield Church Hall at 6pm

5th June; 3rd July; 7th August; 4th September; 2nd October; 6th November