

APPROVED MINUTES

Tarset and Greystead NDP Steering Group meeting held on 25th February 2014

Present: Rex Cooper (Secretary), Preston Hoggan, John Holland, Megan Nixon, David Watkins, Jenny Ludman (Independent Planning Consultant), Sarah Dyer (Conservation Officer at Northumberland National Park)

Apologies

Apologies were received from Anne Monroe.

This **extraordinary meeting** was called to discuss the design brief and the implications of having design and landscape guides included within the policy of the Neighbourhood Plan. After discussion, it was agreed that this approach be tabled at the initial meeting with the preferred bidders, Spence and Dower, proposed for Thursday 13th March 2014 at 2.00pm. The format was finalised for informing successful and unsuccessful firms re: quotations received for work detailed in the letter from Tarset and Greystead Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, dated 16th January 2014.

Action: Rex to notify preferred bidders, requesting initial meeting on 13th March 2014 at 2.00pm
Rex to inform unsuccessful bidders.

Heritage Assets update

Preston confirmed that he and Anne are continuing their work on heritage assets within the Parish restating the importance of recognising undesignated heritage assets as Locally Important Assets. Sarah reminded the group that the evidence base requires stated criteria and methodology. DCMS give guidance on selection criteria, English Heritage has issued a Guide on Good Practice for Local Listing (previously circulated by Rex)

Action: Preston /Anne to contact Sarah when needed.

The importance of locally important views/landscapes was raised. It was acknowledged that although the term 'views' may not rank highly in planning terms, it is highly important and significant to the majority of residents within the parish and need to be reflected within the Neighbourhood Plan.

For information

- Megan briefly reported discussions from the last meeting (18th February 2014) about including community issues (i.e. non-policy matters) in the Neighbourhood Plan.
- Mary Lou Downie is unable to attend scheduled NPG meetings owing to previous commitments but is keen to help where possible.

Action: Megan to invite to Mary Lou to Policy Writing day.
Rex to circulate relevant papers to Mary Lou by e-mail.

Date of next meeting: Friday, 28th February 2014 at Village Hall
All day policy planning session starting at 10.00am