

Tarset and Greystead NDP Steering Group minutes for the meeting held on 28th October 2014

Present: Darrell Jackson (Chair), Preston Hoggan, Megan Nixon, David Watkins, John Holland, Mary Lou Downie, David English (NCC), Kevin Tipple (NCC).

1. Introduction and apologies

Apologies from Anne Monroe. It was agreed in advance that Jenny Ludman (NNPA) would not attend this meeting, having already used up the quota of time funded for the month.

2. Minutes of the last meeting 14th October

The minutes were agreed without amendments.

3. Matters arising

Re 4: Bill Burlton will provide Preston with maps showing biodiversity and heritage assets within the forested areas.

Re 7: It was noted that further discussion of 'local need' will be required.

4. Matters arising from last week's Policy Day

4.1 The Policy Day had enabled the Group to look at draft policies in detail and generated many suggestions for improving them which are now being incorporated by Jenny.

4.2 David Watkins had circulated a draft Policy TG13. the wording was agreed with the final sentence amended to end '...is no longer financially viable.'

4.3 Protection of Sidwood as a Community Asset was discussed. David English advised that a different policy would be needed to protect woodland, rather than built Community Assets. Sidwood could be considered for designation as a 'Local Green Space under NPPF Para 77. It is not known whether Sidwood has a defined boundary, but the Forestry Commission may have a map showing it.

Action: Preston will ask Bill Burlton whether a boundary is shown on the Forestry maps he is using.

5. Lanehead and Greenhaugh boundaries (emails from PH 24.10 and 25.10.14)

5.1 Preston had emailed maps showing possible boundary locations for Greenhaugh. The southern boundary of the Community Orchard is incorrectly shown on Spence & Dower's map: the shading needs to be extended south to the wall line.

It was agreed there is no need for an eastern boundary and the northern boundary will be at right angles to the road, eastwards from the tree.

It was agreed that the lane between Gardener's Cottage and Greenhaugh Hall will be part of the southern boundary.

Action: Preston will alter the map accordingly. Darrell will forward it to Spence and Dower as part of a wider response to their latest communication.

5.2 Preston had circulated maps showing the outliers and groups of buildings at Lanehead. It was decided after some discussion to reflect the evidence base provided by Spence and Dower, by means of:

- a) a dedicated policy to protect the green space between Greenhaugh and Lanehead. The southern boundary of the green space will be the field boundary north of Snowhall, following the concept developed by Spence and Dower.
- b) Addressing any proposals for development within Lanehead and south of this line by reference to the Lanehead development policies, including preserving separation of the 'outliers'.

Action: Preston will create a plan showing the southern boundary of the green space between Greenhaugh and Lanehead.

6. Community Action Proposals (email from DW 20.10.14)

6.1 David Watkins reported that the Parish Council has responded to the Group's grid of Community Action Proposals flowing from the Community Consultations. Many of these issues have been ongoing for some time and the PC will continue to pursue them. The grid has been completed and was circulated. It shows proposed actions, lead bodies, project partners, delivery timescale and funding sources where appropriate. The PC's role is largely to lobby since there is no funding available for many of these issues.

6.2 The possibility of car sharing will be investigated.

6.3 Sustrans investigated potential for using the railway line as a cycle path some years ago and found that because many farmers now occupy it, this is impractical. There could however be a policy to support such proposals in the future and prevent new development which would preclude them.

6.4 David was asked to thank the PC for its response.

7. Consideration of request from Spence and Dower for further details

Spence and Dower's reply to Darrell's last communication was circulated.

7.1 It was agreed that their rationale was sound for omitting a map shaded to show areas outside the Parish where development would impact on views within the Plan Area. The point is not lost since it is made in the text.

7.2 It was agreed that their document should be entitled "Tarset and Greystead Landscape and Design Assessment".

7.3 The Chair will not write an introduction.

7.4 There is no need for their document to refer to the Neighbourhood Plan.

7.5 There is no need for any acknowledgements but it should include the authors' professional credentials and refer to source publications.

7.6 Pages will be numbered 1, 2 etc

7.7 They will be asked to provide a suitable image for the title page.

7.8 There is no need for them to tie in with Jenny's work since they are providing an independent evidence base for her writing.

7.9 An invoice has been submitted but not yet paid. A further £540, including VAT will still be outstanding to pay on completion.

Action: Darrell will ask for the final version. Darrell and Preston will confer beforehand to ensure the correct maps are included.

8. AOB

Next week's meeting will consider policies, the draft written justification for them and the definition of 'local need' as part of the policy for conversion of redundant buildings.

9. Date of the next meeting:

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 4th November at the Village Hall.