

Meeting 7

Present

Neston Town Council: Cllrs T Derragh, P Hughes M L Shipman

Community volunteers: P Baker (Chair), D Clark, M Eveleigh, R Hetherington, R Hughes, P Leary, T Nolan, D Wallace, J Wilkie.

Cheshire West and Chester: Ewan McHenry, Senior Locality Manager

In attendance: Michelle Suckley, Administration Officer, NTC

		ACTION
01. Apologies for Absence	J Hollinshead, R Nickson, G Bench (CWaC)	
02. Declarations of Interest	None	
03. Minutes and Matters Arising from meeting 25 February	<p>PB requested a Communications Group member urgently contact Mr Dool, Headteacher Neston High School regarding NP consultation.</p> <p>The visit to Winsford had been extremely informative. The biggest lesson learnt is to communicate with residents at all stages.</p>	T&FGs

	<p>RH and JH to provide stats from census results to update Place Profile. T&FGs to let RH know if they have any data requirements.</p> <p>DW and JW invited to Heads of Schools meeting on 25 April.</p> <p>MLS confirmed £10k now received from CWaC. It was queried whether additional NP funds from CWaC could be secured. Concern was expressed that no senior Spatial Planning Officer has offered to attend any NP meetings.</p>	
04.	<p>Brief Reports from Communications Group</p> <p>PL stated that Communications Group is a relatively small group. The group are not the ‘communicators’ for Neston’s NP. TD to provide Communications Group with costings for bus advertising.</p> <p>Ideas from the Winsford visit included distributing postcards to school children to ask them to draw on reverse ‘what the town would look like in 2030’; renting abandoned shop as a ‘drop-in zone’; visiting residential homes; providing shoppers with coloured discs to answer key, clear questions.</p>	TD
05.	<p>Brief Report from Housing Task & Finish Group</p> <p>TN stated that the local Estate Agent had provided a great deal of analytical data regarding strong rental market, demand for first time buyers, demand for extended families properties and bungalows. It was noted that families move to Neston for the quality of schools and proximity to employment.</p>	
06.	<p>Brief Report from Quality of Life/Transport Task & Finish Group</p> <p>No notes of 4 Apr meeting were available. PL has been involved in community composting meetings and also met PlusDane community engagement representative. PL to proceed with ‘community growing space’ areas. EH stated</p>	PL

	Winsford undertook ‘quick-win’ projects (small, effective improvements to the town).	
07.	<p>Brief Report from Economic Development/Retail Task & Finish Group</p> <p>CWaC are undertaking research on the Clayhill area. EH is assisting RH in NP. RH and JH are working on the wording of Place Profile and a matrix tool, which will identify all relevant NP aspects. Matrix model can be adopted by other T&FGs. RH to circulate amended matrix model.</p>	RH
08.	<p>Review of two Draft Vision Statements</p> <p>Members concurred that the Vision Statement should be concise and no more than 2 sentences in length. PB to redraft for next CSG meeting. Members to send any comments/suggestions to PB. A suggested ‘strap line’ is ‘Neston – Cheshire’s only coastal town.’</p>	PB All
09.	<p>NP Overview Event – Saturday 13 April</p> <p>The objective of this ‘Awayday’ event is to produce cohesive NP communication and to deliver to residents at ‘This Is Neston’ Event on Sat 20 April. JW, PB and MLS to design format of Awayday event. As soon as venue is confirmed, office to invite all parties.</p>	JW,PB MLS
10.	<p>‘This Is Neston’ Event Update</p> <p>Fri 19 Apr 10am to 2pm (held in Town Hall) – CWaC S106 monies expenditure, PRDG and Neston Town Council presentation on their future plans for Market, Market Square and Town Hall.</p> <p>Sat 20 Apr 10am to 2pm (held in Market Square) – NP CSG to attend. Event includes stalls, entertainment and community organisations involvement.</p>	
11.		JW

	Timeline Update JW to update timeline after 'This Is Neston' event on Sat 20 Apr.	
12.	Date of Next Meeting Monday 22 April 2013 at 7pm at NC&YC.	

Meeting closed 8.50pm.