

Meeting 20

Present:

Neston Town Council: Cllrs Trish Derragh, Pat Hughes, James Wilkie.

Community Volunteers: Phil Baker (Chair), Mary Eveleigh, Robin Hughes, Robina Hetherington, David Wallace.

In Attendance: William Flaherty(Invited Guest)

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	Apologies for Absence Terry Nolan; Michelle Suckley	
	Declarations of Interest Robina has submitted a planning application to Cheshire West & Chester Council to build a dwelling on garden land. WF asked if he could make some notes on the meeting. Permission granted.	
	Previous Minutes Item 03: Leahurst - a meeting has been scheduled for 9 May when PB and TN will meet Catherine Anderson to discuss the results of the students' questionnaire. Neston High School - no progress has been made regarding a meeting with the School Council. However, at the Housing T&F Group meeting held on 16 April it was agreed that:- a) TN would contact CWaC Councillor/School Governor Brenda Dowding. b) All approaches to the school and CWaC should be co-ordinated. c) If no progress made then CSG should contact our local Member of Parliament, Andrew Miller.	PB/TN TN
	Appointment of Consultants PB reported that invitations were sent out to 35 consultancies in the North West; 8 Expressions of Interest were received; 1 reply 'Not Interested'; no reply from the remainder. PB, JW and DW have looked at the 8 submissions and 3 consultancies short-listed; each consultancy looks good on experience, knowledge and size. A letter has been sent to all 3, saying that an Invitation to Tender will be despatched to them. Hopefully the invitation will be sent out next week.	MS

	<p>The next stage will be a Question & Answer session with each of the 3 candidates.</p> <p>JW reminded the meeting that both CWaC and Plus Dane have the option of being involved in the selection process.</p> <p>Our aim is to get solid Bids in by the end of May and for the consultants to complete their work by 1 December 2014.</p> <p>Plus Dane monies must be spent by December 2014.</p> <p>Agreed Plus Dane monies to be spent first.</p>	<p>PB/JW/ DW/TD</p>
	<p>Finance:It was confirmed that both CWaC and Plus Dane have confirmed in writing their offers of financial assistance.</p>	
	<p>Communication with Residents:We have spent half of the £6,200 Locality funding; thus we have enough money to produce a glossy publication; our deadline is September 2014.</p> <p>Due to the lack of progress with a communication plan, it was agreed to form a new Communications Group with the following members PB, JW, DW, ME, R Hetherington and R Hughes. Agreed JW to arrange a meeting.</p>	<p>JW</p>
	<p>Task & Finish Groups:The Minutes of the following meetings were noted:</p> <p>Economic Development/Retail T&F Group held 26 March.</p> <p>Housing T&F Group held 16 April.</p> <p>Quality of Life/Transport held 10 March</p>	
	<p>Any Other Business:Draft Plan Document - agreed Robina to prepare some objectives on "Image & Identity".</p> <p>Evidence Base - agreed all evidence to be uploaded to the 'Dropbox' so that NTC councillors to access the data at their convenience.</p> <p>WF invited the attendees to participate in a research study he is undertaking, which will lead to an analysis of whether there is a theory-practice gap with regard to Neighbourhood Plan making.</p>	<p>Robina</p> <p>MS</p>
	<p>Next Meeting:Monday, 19 May. 7.00pm at Neston Town Hall.</p> <p>PB to contact CWaC officer Graham Bench.</p>	<p>MS</p> <p>PB</p>