

Draft Minutes of QCPC NPWG meeting Monday 5 February 2024 held at England's Side at 7pm

Present Bryan Norman, Philip Hall, David Lowe, Rosemary Heath-Coleman and Terri Plummer. John Brendon in attendance as chair of the PC

John Brendon gave a short summary on how the NP had been developed, its purpose and the need to progress the projects, in particular, within it. It was also noted that a full review was not now needed until the 5th anniversary of the making of the NP, ie by 2026. Therefore, no specific review is required at present on the housing position. It was asked though whether QC was classified as a rural settlement or a village. [TBC]

Given his other commitments, JB said he would not be on the WG but would very much support it from a PC perspective.

Bryan Norman proposed and Terri Plummer seconded David Lowe be Chair of the WG, which was approved unanimously.

Matters discussed included:

- Playing field development. It was noted that the play area project is in progress under the direct supervision of the PC. It was asked that the youth shelter be looked into along with all the peripheral aspects (fencing, parking, picnic area) to the new play area.
- The wider development of the PF was left as the S106 position on new land has still to be finalised.
- The WG should press for SC to install a 20mph speed limit through the village from the new school to the old one and consider a flashing sign to reinforce it. PC to write to SC Highways and involve HH and KM/DL to draft.
- The condition of footpaths, gates and stiles was considered. A footpath sub WG to be formed; DL to speak to IG & MF, BN to speak to MJ and PH to join group.
- Lighting -deferred.
- Cycle paths. A WG needed to include MM and WC. Terri to be asked to assist; DL to develop.
- Bridleways. The top of Traits and Gason lane considered but deferred.
- Decluttering streets of excess signage. PC to write to SC/ DL to draft.
- Heritage assets. PH to review items listed in NP and consider those in public "ownership" or others at risk for action; RHC to be asked to assist as necessary.

New projects

- Church bus stop. JB to chase BH on planters and then consider seating etc
- Yellow parking lines on Sparkford Hill
- Drop kerbs

Next meeting: Weds 6 March starting at 6.30pm at England's Side.

Distribution of Minutes: Those present at meeting + Parish Clerk.

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Date