Lanchester Parish Council



Neighbourhood Plan Working Group

Lynwood House Tuesday 5 February 2019 2.00pm

Present Mike Wardle (Chair)

Steve Bailey, Brian Naylor, Mike Gladstone, Jill Gladstone, Councillor David Friesner,

Stuart Carter Durham County Council
Carole Dillon Durham County Council

1. Welcome

Mike Wardle welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Paul Jackson, Councillor Ossie Johnson, Elaine Hogg and Chris Phillips.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Notes from the last meeting

The notes from the meeting held on 17 January 2019 were received.

5. Neighbourhood Plan Consultation

The group considered the draft summary document which would be delivered to all dwellings in the Parish as part of the community consultation process. Feedback was received on the draft document. It was agreed that a section should be included in the document to explain 'What happens next'.

The group considered and agreed details of the consultation process. It was acknowledged that the dates may change depending on progress of the Neighbourhood Plan document.

It would be necessary to send details of the consultation to all interested parties, including developer interest. The County Council will be able to provide contact details for interested parties.

6. Lanchester Neighbourhood Plan – Draft Document

(i) To consider the sixth draft of the document.

The group considered draft 6 of the Neighbourhood Plan

The group considered draft 6 of the Neighbourhood Plan document and minor amendments were agreed

(ii) To receive feedback from the County Council

Stuart Carter and Carole Dillon from Durham County Council attended the meeting. They have been undertaking a health check on the draft document. They have a number of suggestions and tweaks to provide more focus for the policies. It will be necessary to reconsider policy LNP1 to ensure it is aligned with the proposed County Plan and reflects the views of the community. It will be necessary to consider the recently published draft County Plan to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan provides a local steer for policies. If the Lanchester Design Statement is an appendix to the Neighbourhood Plan it will be examined as part of the process. Many of the currently identified appendices should probably be referenced as evidence documents.

The County Council are to provide written feedback on the health check by 15 February which can then be fully considered. Following this discussion it was felt that the community consultation period may take place at a later date.

(iii) To consider photographs for inclusion in the document

The proposed photos for inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan document were considered by the group. Amendments or suggestions should be forwarded to Sally by 15 February. It was suggested that more photos of trees in leaf should be included.

(iv) To consider mapping revisions

The group were informed that a meeting had taken place with Durham County Council and a number of amendments to the maps discussed. A revised set of maps is expected at the end of February.

7. Strategic Environment Impact Assessment / Habitat Regulations Assessment

The group were informed that the County Council have undertaken the Screening for the Strategic Environment Impact Assessment (SEIA) and the Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) the results of which have shown that a full assessment will not be required.

Confirmation of this and a written report will be received from the County Council in due course.

8. Lanchester Design Statement

Work continues to produce the document. The draft document has been sent to the County Council for feedback.

9. Next Steps

- The written health check report is received from the County Council
- Members of the group to consider the photographic proposals for the plan
- The mapping amendments are progressed with Durham County Council
- The results of the screening for the SEIA and HRA are received from the County Council

10. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the group to take place on Wednesday 6 March at 2.00pm at Lynwood House.

Meeting ends 5.00pm