



**ARNE PARISH COUNCIL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP MEETING
4TH DECEMBER 2014, EVERSNOT**

Present: Bridget Kenward (BK), Richard Bessant (RB), Ray Scragg (RS), Avris Wakefield-Sutton (AWS), Ann Pugsley (AP), Don Hunter (DH), Ashley Pellegrini (AP), Caroline Macleod (CM) Amanda Crocker (AC), Vivienne Ward (VW)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Ian Jenkins and Robert Kenward.

2. Reflections on organisation of Information Evening

The evening was not adequately advertised and, perhaps, in future, a mail shot should be made to every household. However, 61 residents did attend in spite of the inclement weather.

The venue was superb and Debbie Corbin is very committed to the community and we should consider this as the main venue for future events.

The draw – there are still 5 prizes unclaimed. BK suggested that it should be highlighted at the next Parish Council meeting. We will give everyone until after the end of January to claim their prize and then donate any that are left to the local food bank. The web site will be updated to show a date by which the prizes need to be claimed (suggest 30th January 2015) – RS

3. Communication

The e-mail list is still quite small with only 51 names on it. BK reported that she had picked up on a letter regarding the housing group. Perhaps a letter could be drawn up to go to all those on the housing list. When we have another survey we need to be able to contact those who may feel a bit more disenfranchised because they do not have e-mail or live further away from the settlement areas. We used to have a parish newsletter and perhaps this is something that needs to be reinstated.

Future information events should perhaps be held on a Saturday morning.

VW – suggested getting a monthly slot in the Purbeck Gazette to give out general information. Agenda item for the next parish council meeting.

We have yet to communicate with the rest of the parish regarding the findings of the survey. RS – felt the way in which the mini survey regarding the location of housing was carried out was a little bit leading. AP – this was the first consultation and there will be more. BK suggested the publication is not just a matter of putting out the results but the housing group pointing out that this is a preliminary consultation. BK and DH will write the rider to go out with the survey results. BK suggested sending out a version of what RK has sent out to the Steering Group. This will be sent out after Christmas, most probably in the New Year. DH and BK, together with RK will produce a 2 sided summary. The whole document, with the rider will be put on the web site. RS will go through the full

report and anonymise anything as necessary. RS will also draft a rider saying this is part of the consultation process for putting on the web site.

4. Future working parties

Housing will become the main section going forwards. BK has been approached by a number of land owners but has not spoken to any of them at the moment. By involving them at this stage, we may be more likely to get what we want. BK, together with CM, would like permission to meet with some of the landowners and open discussions. As this area is the most important, perhaps some more councillors should be included within this working group. She would like one more councillor to attend – DH agreed to take this on. The group currently consists of 6 stalwarts.

5. Involvement with PDC and implementation plan

Keith Childs will be invited to the next steering group meeting. As we have not heard anything from PDC, despite them being sent copies of the minutes, we can only assume that they are happy with the way we are doing things.

6. Next steps

AP has looked at various Neighbourhood Plans, in particular the Cerne Valley plan, and feels it is time to start writing things down. With this in mind, AP has produced a draft outline for discussion. DH – a lot of feedback has been gathered from the residents and a “wish list” is starting to come together. Are we to write in the action necessary, i.e. if we want a roundabout, should we note that we have contacted X and the result was Y. This would form part of the backup information needed for the Inspector but would not form part of the body of the Plan.

A list of things for the groups to do next was issued. The chairman of each working party can either do this themselves or with the help of their group – this is entirely up to the each chairman. It may be necessary to gather more evidence about some items. Everything to be back to AP by the 30th January. He will then put it all together and we will hold our next meeting during February 2015. It was suggested we have one more meeting before inviting Keith Childs in order to make sure our thoughts are ready for PDC. RS will assist AP with the management of the document.

7. Date of next meeting

Thursday 5th February 2015 – 6pm at Evershot.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19:08.