



Dalston Neighbourhood Plan

Steering Group Meeting

Number 11

5pm 5th September 2014 @ Forge Green

Present:

Cllr. Chris Drouet (DPC)[CD]; Cllr Pauline Dalton (DPC)[PD]; Cllr. Ann Byers(DPC Vice Chairman) [AB]; Cllr. Bryan Craig(DPC) [BC]; Jill Faux[JF]; Richard Woods (CCC)[RW]

Minutes

1. Apologies for absence.

Liz Auld [LA]; Judith Wilson [JW]; David Wilcock [DW]; Cllr. Ronnie Auld (DPC Chairman)[RA]; Zoe Sutton (CCC)[ZS];

2. Ian Turnbull Resignation

It was with some sadness that the group recorded Ian's resignation.

3. Discuss actions from previous minutes (PD)

10/03 Farming and Land Ownership Questionnaire; Online version published and 100 copies printed with a covering letter by CCC.

Distribution to be organised by AB and all the above delivered to her..

10/4 Environment Paper; amendments made and filed as complete. **See AOB.**

10/5 Built Environment Paper; amendments made and filed as complete.



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It was decided to take advantage of RWs attendance and add the SHLAA to the agenda due to the local controversy over the end of its consultation period and the possible misunderstanding of why areas of the parish considered by the residents to be unsuitable were still in the SHLAA.

3a. Presentation ref. SHLAA (RW)

RW presented the background to the SHLAA, it being a catalogue of potential sites for future development but does not imply that planning consent would be given. He went on to say that if a site is offered by a land owner or their agent, to be included it needs to meet the two following criteria; 1) Deliverable – could be used immediately, 2) Economic Viability – within 5 years.

In the opinion of Carlisle City Council Planning Department, the two sites mentioned in the SHLAA, Buckabank and Madam Banks meet the above so they must be included in the SHLAA.

However, The Local Plan does not have these sites included as it is considered that Dalston village has met its housing criteria for the next 15 years and no further large scale development would be expected.

This was discussed at length and the overall view was in disagreement with the Planning Department that these sites met all the criteria to be viable and therefore included in the SHLAA. It was noted that the residents who had replied to the consultation and the Parish Council did not consider these sites viable and therefore shouldn't be included either in the SHLAA or The Local Plan.

As RW and ZS had made constructive comments to the draft “Visions” questionnaire – Housing section, it was agreed to bring forward the associated items on the agenda as RW could not stay for the whole meeting.

5. Dalston Visions-Section Review

Contributions from LA, RA and PD were considered first. It was agreed that some of the questions were a little difficult to understand but it was suggested by RW that we had to use some of the planning jargon as these words and phrases when used in a planning context had precise meanings that might not be what we want to convey. Some alterations to the questions were made taking this into account.

RA suggested that we re-visited the Parish Plan questionnaire to check that there was nothing there that needed re-asking. It was agreed that this would be done but a copy of the old questionnaire needed to be found.

Action: PD, RA, LA.



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The question of minimum age was raised. This was a matter discussed at a previous meeting of the group where it was agreed to follow the age given in the Youth Questionnaire.

RA asked if a section could be added “asking for more contributions”. This was not understood by the group. Further explanation required.

Action: RA

The document was then discussed page by page taking into account the suggestions of PD by e-mail and RW & ZS by modified draft copy.

A file copy was marked up and agreed. It will now be modified as discussed and a new draft of this section will be submitted to all. **Only errors (items missed out or spelling and grammar) will be discussed at the next meeting as this new draft should be ready for publication.**

Action: CD

4. Youth Consultation Report (BC)

This document was presented by BC and discussed page by page. There were some modifications to the draft suggested via e-mail from LA and AB. These were considered and actioned where appropriate.

Modifications were added to the draft copy and these will be changed on the next draft.

Action: CD, PD, AB

It was also noted that BC would make arrangements for distribution/inclusion of the youth it is aimed at.

Action: BC

CD noted that he would be able to make the proposed alterations to the next draft but an online version would have to wait until the “Dalston Visions” questionnaire had been completed and the online version of that had been set up. This might not be until November!

6. Dalston Visions – Delivery Strategy

Due to lack of time this item was deferred to the next meeting.

7. Environment – Views and Vistas (All)

Contributions were tabled by PD and JF and these were filed to be distributed to all for discussion at the next available meeting agenda due to lack of meeting time.



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Action: If electronic versions available CD will distribute.

8. Health and Well-being.

PD tabled a first draft for this and a contribution after the meeting was received via e-mail from AB. These were filed to be distributed to all for discussion at the next available meeting agenda due to lack of meeting time.

Action: If electronic versions available CD will distribute.

9. AOB

An e-mailed contribution from DW was mentioned concerning the sign off of the environment paper. This concerned the overall authorship of the document, as all concerned agreed that DW should be shown as author and, Jonathon Coulthard and Ian Gray shown as contributors, this was agreed and awaits the final version from DW which has already been approved by the group.

Action: DW

10. Date of the next Meeting.

A meeting request will be sent to all members in the next few weeks.

Action: CD

The meeting closed at 19.20.