

Little Budworth Parish Plan Steering Group

Minutes of Meeting on Tuesday 15 January 2013

Present: Malcolm Carnegie
Peter Robinson
Stuart Robinson
Tony Hall
Andy Martell
Jack Martell
Sarah Baron
David Roberts
Joanne Jeffs
Cora Cowap
Debra Jones

Apologies: Barbara Iceley

1 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

The leaflets have now been produced. Printing costs came to £87 from Cowdells in Crewe and this has been paid.

The budget has been submitted to the Parish Council and this was passed last night.

More work has been done on the website making it easier to search. The pages on the site have been provided by Cheshire West and Chester Council (CWAC) and Cheshire Shared Services. The Chapel has asked for a page on the site. MC will continue work on the site.

2 Matters Discussed

As mentioned above the leaflet has been printed and is ready for distribution. The distribution order is as follows:- BI to deliver St Peter's Drive and Well Lane, PR to do Shop Lane down to the top of Well Lane, TH to do Longstone Lane and the A54, MC to do Vicarage Lane, Park Road down to the Kennels, and CC will do the remaining park of the Village heading for Rushton with the help of John Watson. The leaflets will all hopefully be delivered at the same time, possibly next week if the weather is milder.

Survey – The survey will be going to each household and business in the parish. SB said that it needs to be tailored to our own community and not just “cut and pasted” from a different parish's survey. Samples and templates were passed around. When designing our survey we need to look at responses we have had so far and also look at evidence from the socio-economic document. There should be a mix of type of questions eg multiple choice and open ended questions. The average response rate is 40 per cent and a better response is achieved by hand delivering and collecting the surveys. The surveys could be colour coded or numbered so we can see who has returned their survey. SB mentioned that people are more likely to fill in surveys on coloured paper and also KISS – keep it short and simple.

Big issues that need open questions are:

IT/Broadband/Mobile Phone Coverage
Planning
Environment
Housing
Recreation/Access
Utilities/Services
Traffic/Transport/Policing/Safety
Communities/Facilities
Employment/Businesses.

The above list will be emailed to committee members for their thoughts and ideas on questions, comments and views on these topics.

3 Any Other Business

Little Budworth Country Park/Common was discussed. To recap, the lease which is with CWAC at present expires in February and CWAC council do not wish to extend this lease. The Parish Council are trying to arrange a meeting between themselves, CWAC and the Oulton Estate. No date has been set at present.

It has been brought to our attention that SB Homes have made an initial plan for 40 houses to be built on the field at the rear of the Village Hall. This land is owned by the Church (not St Peter's) and is managed by Fisher German Denton Clark. FGDC have not commented on this to date.

Chris Evans' Car Fest is to be held at Oulton Park on 2, 3, and 4 August 2013. This will definitely put Little Budworth on the map and will be a very busy time. Tickets will be on sale from 17 January.

4 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next full meeting will be held on Tuesday 19 February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. There will be a less formal meeting on 5 February to discuss the questionnaire.

J Jeffs
17 January 2013