

LAZONBY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP MINUTES

Subject **Steering Group Meeting**

Date of Meeting: 2 July 2015

Location of Meeting: Lazonby Village Hall

Attendees: **Name:**
 Roger Campbell (RC)
 Cllr Chris Hill (CH)
 Elizabeth Howe (EH)
 Neil Kennedy (NK)
 Gordon Malcolm (GM)
 Cllr Peter Minihan (PM)
 Cllr Virginia Minihan (VN)
 Cllr Gordon Nicolson (GN)

ITEM		ACTION
1	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>Apologies were received from Chris West, John Judson and John Nichol. Chris West advised that due to family matters she could no longer remain on the Steering Group.</p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting (28.05.15) were agreed.</p> <p>Comments Box – this could not be attached to a wall in the Co-op so GN will make a suitable container. It was agreed the Comments Box should be publicised via the Parish Council. GM to provide a summary to VM. VM would raise this at the next Parish Council meeting.</p> <p>Locality – GN provided an update on the Locality grant/report. The report had been submitted and accepted by Locality for Phase 1. PM asked if Phase 2 was progressing. GN advised that this was on hold for now. It was agreed that Phase 2 funding should include payment for use of the Village Hall and sundry items.</p> <p>Photographs – GN has circulated some photographs and CH had put others onto a memory stick. These would be used within the Neighbourhood Plan document.</p>	<p>GN</p> <p>GM/VM</p>
2	<p>Topic Areas</p> <p>Employment</p> <p>CH circulated a list of consultees relating to employment. It was agreed that the companies should be contacted initially by letter and followed up with a meeting if possible.</p>	

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<p>VM/PM were updated on the proposals to consult local employers and businesses.</p> <p>CH circulated a paper on local employment and businesses. It was agreed that this was very good and would be incorporated into the draft plan. The allocation of potential employment sites was discussed.</p> <p>CH noted that the Parish Council had spoken to Bells Bakery re possible parking space by the railway. This may allow vans to be parked safely.</p> <p>Farm Diversification and Tourism</p> <p>It was agreed that farm diversification and tourism should be encouraged and supported by the Plan. The Tour of Britain also provides an opportunity to promote Lazonby as a tourist destination. This also links to the need to improve/extend/reopen footpaths and cycle routes.</p> <p>It was agreed that a café within the village would be a positive facility. The Plan could support such a use subject to location etc. It was agreed that the Egg Packing Station would provide a good location for both employment and a café, possibly within the same building.</p> <p>Sustainability and Renewables</p> <p>EH had not been able to research this topic and would provide a paper for the next meeting.</p> <p>Footpaths</p> <p>GM informed the group of the recent court case won by the Ramblers Association in which a footpath now had to be reinstated despite being out of use since the 19th century. This decision may be helpful in re-establishing 'lost' footpaths in the Parish.</p> <p>3 Any Other Business</p> <p>Langwathby NP – The draft Plan had been circulated before the meeting. It was agreed that overall it was not the format that was envisaged for the Lazonby Neighbourhood Plan and that the Allendale NP was considered to be a better format.</p> <p>GN noted that the Eden District Council's Local Plan was expected to go to Examination in Public towards the end of 2015.</p>	<p>EH</p>
<p>4 Date of next meeting</p> <p>30th July 2015, 7.30pm, Lazonby Village Hall</p>	