

A NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN FOR EGERTON

WORKING GROUP

Meeting 2.30pm Monday 11 June 2018 at the Sports Pavilion

Present: Chris Burgess (in the Chair for JC), Elaine Graham, Graham Howland, Ian Mella, Claire Stevens, Lois Tilden (Secretary).

1. **Apologies:** Jane Carr, Richard King, Mel Rawlinson, Peter Rawlinson.
2. **The minutes of the meeting on 22 May** were approved.
3. **Matters arising from the minutes, notably action points not covered under main Agenda items:**
 - a. Ian Grundy at ABC had written to say he hoped to attend the workshop on 27 June as a facilitator. **Action: LT to seek confirmation**
 - b. EG had been in touch with the Fete Committee about a space in the Hall to publicise the Plan at the Fete on 7 July. Details of requirements to be confirmed. **Action: EG to confirm details**
 - c. Several members of the Group had spread the message about the Plan to neighbours, GH had used the “My Next Door” facility and LT had used the Neighbourhood watch network. **Action: All to keep up the effort**
 - d. CS had printed posters and LT had borrowed sign boards from PR/MR to display notices about the “Views and vistas” workshop at prominent points in the parish.
 - e. A few photos had been taken but it was thought there were already enough to display at the workshops.
 - f. IM and JC had started work on the complex application form for a grant from “Locality”. **Action: IM & JC to complete the form as soon as possible**
 - g. It seemed that Martin Chapman was unlikely to be able to spare time to assist the Group. LT would send minutes of meetings to Sandra Laws for the new website once they had been checked and prepared in the correct format. **Action : LT**
 - h. All preparatory action for the “Views and Vistas” workshop had been completed on time and most members of the Group were present on the day.
 - i. All preparatory action for the landowners’ sessions had been taken in time. JC had taken stock of all responses, prepared a timetable and invitations for each of the 8 landowners to attend for 30 minute presentations and Q&A session. All 8 had attended.
 - j. ACRK’s Tessa O’Sullivan had kindly agreed to a meeting with JC and LT on 20 June to discuss the content and a timetable for a Housing Needs survey. It was already clear that it would not be possible (nor practical) to run a survey until September. **Action: JC/LT to report back**

- k. JC had been in touch with independent planning consultants. Exploratory meetings were taking place with them, JC and LT on 15 and 20 June. **Action: JC/LT to report back**
- l. LT had yet to establish if JCr could assist in drafting the technical aspects of the Plan. **Action: LT to speak to JCr**

4. Feedback from Landowner sessions

JC had produced a draft note of each of the discussions. CB had a few suggestions to put to JC about the note. The responses from individual landowners were interesting propositions across the parish. Each landowner was advised that this was a very tentative stage of drawing up a Plan and that it was for the residents of Egerton to decide on what sites should be designated for building and influence the scale, layout and design of development. Each landowner was asked to provide more details on a map; encouraged to attend the workshop on 27 June; and advised to be ready for questions and challenge from members of the public who would be participating. It was agreed that the deadline for submitting additional sites should be publicised as 30 June to allow leeway for latecomers. It was noted that a member of the Group had attended the session and had expressed strong and personal ideas in writing that questioned the need for any development. Yet as a landowner had also proposed an idea for development on land owned jointly with another member of the Group. It had been pointed out to them at the session that this questioned their objectivity in the Group and that there was a risk of conflicting interests that were unlikely to be avoided whilst still members of the Group. **Action: JC and LT to consider next steps on this point. LT to prepare: a draft briefing note for members of the Group and Ian Grundy (ABC); a draft note to issue to each of the landowners reminding them what was required of them in advance of the workshop on 27 June.**
All: New publicity to be produced with deadline of 30 June for additional sites

5. Feedback from "Views and Vistas" workshop

It was agreed that the effort and time that members of the Group spent in organising the workshop was disproportionately high compared with the very disappointing turnout of 12 people. This implied more apathy than interest, despite a series of publicity via different media. Nevertheless it had been possible to identify key views and vistas with the valued input from those who did attend. **Action: GH to ensure that the views and vistas are clearly marked on the map.**

6. Workshop on Wednesday 27 June 7.30pm -10.00pm at the Hall

It was agreed that a striking flyer by using more direct language should be issued to all households prior to the workshop, to spark interest and encourage more people to attend. It was agreed that members of the Group would meet at 6.30 pm in the Hall to set up 8 tables. JC would need to welcome participants and give a short presentation and explanation of proceedings. Each table to include a landowner (if present) and everyone to look at each of the proposals that would be on display in small scale on the table with the

criteria document. Other material on a large table. A member of the Group would be at each table to act as a non-partisan guide; Ian Grundy would need to “float” between tables to arbitrate, challenge and prompt. **Action: EG to find out if Alan Arthur would be prepared to deliver a flyer (at a cost, to be inviced via EPC) and if Sandra Laws could print it (cost to agreed with IM before confirming). LT to prepare a first draft flyer by 14 June. All to participate in putting up signs before the workshop, use other means of publicising the event and to participate in setting up the Hall on 27 June.**

7. Any other business

It was agreed that the Group would in future publish its own newsletters to retain editorial privilege in-house. Cost of printing and distribution to be cleared first through IM/JC. IM would pay costs direct and submit invoices to EPC for payment.

8. Date of next meeting

Saturday 30 June 10 am, Sports Pavilion: EG to confirm booking, GH to fetch key (or notify EG if unable).

The meeting ended at 4.25pm