

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Blewbury Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
held in the Melland Room on Monday 9 June 2014**

Present: Nick Chancellor, Richard Farrell, Vanessa Fox, Mike Marshall, Dermot Mathias, Pat Mattimore, Anne Millman, Alex Musson, Anton Nath, Caroline O'Donnell, John Ogden,

Apologies: Ian Bacon, Joe Goyder, Angela Hoy, Jo Lakeland, Chris Lakeland, Kally Peigne Katherine Pearce, Gwyn Rees

1. Minutes of the last meeting were agreed.
2. **Housing needs survey:** on draft 5. There was some discussion as to whether to have yes/no answers only to avoid ambiguity. It was agreed to go with it as drafted with choice of five.
Timing: Need time to train volunteers, so avoid summer holidays.
Event in September (16th and 21st – Tuesday evening and Sunday afternoon) to attract and train volunteers, and to explain the survey, and update. **Each of us to find one or two recruits, a pool of 20+ people – names for next meeting.** Collect in a sealed envelope door to door. **All**
Survey should take about 20 minutes to fill in.
We discussed the sensitivity of asking about financial circumstances, to find out what they can afford. It was agreed to include these questions subject to any further advice from VOWH
Advertising will be helpful: A-Boards at entrances to village were suggested.
A call for volunteers and advertising for the survey should go into next Bulletin (deadline **18 June**). Email supporters: AH has database of email addresses from the launch event; respond to NDP's email address. **CO**
AnneM will get final version to members to sign off in next two or three weeks. **DM**
3. **Landscape appraisal** – carry forward. IB and DM have nothing to add at the moment. PM suggested that we should also check whether Bramhill Designs should be considered. DM to follow up. **IB, DM**
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4. **Project Plan.** DM has put some thoughts together (paper given for meeting); CO has given some feedback. Revised version attached having subsequently been reformatted by AlexM and incorporating input on sustainability from IB.
Timing of plan is sensitive, to dovetail with the timing of the Vale's plan – if we finalise before the VOWH plan finalised it could be out of date immediately. We agreed however that we must press on at this stage in order to avoid a loss of momentum.

5. **Overall objectives.** Ian's document was circulated for discussion at the next meeting.
6. **Communication and engagement.** Anne and Nick will meet with Kally to discuss the communication requirement.
7. **Development in South Street.** CO said there was no merit in objecting to this application as a group.
However, once prepared the Neighbourhood Plan could identify specific areas that should be preserved on the grounds of their importance to the character of the village and hence the conservation area.
8. **Date of next meeting: 14 July at 7.30 pm.**