

# Braunton Parish Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting

October 2016

## Steering Group Members:

You are hereby invited to attend the meeting of the Braunton Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group being held in the Committee Room at the Parish Hall, Chaloners Road, Braunton at 6pm on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016

The public and press are welcome to attend.

## PROPOSED AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence.**
2. **Review of minutes of the last meeting and matters arising.**
3. **Administration of the Steering Group. To include:**
  - Documents sharing system
  - Update on role definition
  - Confirmation of new SG members
4. **Initiating the NP work programme - Vision and Aims of the Neighbourhood Plan and the NPSG.** *Please see Annex A for an outline of this session.*
5. **Discuss and agree an initial engagement plan.**
6. **Confirm calendar of meetings for the Steering Group and a standard agenda.**
7. **A.O.B.**

## **ANNEX A – SESSION ON THE VISION AND AIMS OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AND SG – A PRIMER**

It is proposed that we run an open discussion with the SG to develop a common understanding of the potential Vision and Aims of the NP and our work as a SG.

The Vision and Aims will shape the scope of the plan we produce. The Vision needs to be shaped on the basis of community interests and concerns, which in turn will guide us in terms of the structure of the plan and the evidence base we need to build.

**At this initial stage we are aiming to have an initial discussion about the Vision and Aims, identifying what has already taken place with regard to community engagement on which we might draw, and sharing our ideas on the potential components or elements of our plan.**

In this context, please note that we will have some initial evidence to consider once the results of the BPC community needs survey are published. This has had 340 respondents to date from all over the parish area.

**We should also discuss how we should further consult the public about the plan.**

That consultation is a key component of the process, and while we can share ideas now about the scope of any potential plan, the specific issues which the plan will address – and therefore its structure - has to be based on public consultation.

At this early stage, I propose we share our aspirations (and reality) for how Braunton should or could be in 10-15 years time including ideas about the areas unique selling points (USPs) and unrealised potential.

In terms of context, attached are 3 slides that illustrate where the NP sits in relationship to the NPPF, a high level process cycle of how planning policy is developed which applies at national, local and neighbourhood level, and the first phase of activity with deliverable. These slides could be used in starting to build the shared understanding that will be needed to get a successful outcome for Braunton.

I've also discussed a set of worksheets produced by My Community, which are helpful to us as an SG. In particular, worksheets 4 and 5 are relevant to the stage of work we are at now.

In terms of structure for this session it is proposed that we things we might discuss could include:

- The timescale of the NP – for example, should we aim aspirations for 15 Years (to tie in with the Local Plan which goes out to 2031)?
- How might we develop a working Definition of economic, sustainable & environmental sustainability? (once we have this definition, we will compare it to the feedback we get from the community)
- Consideration of the evidence base and any studies that need to be undertaken - particularly if they are long term effort is needed for results, we need to start early.
- Confirming neighbourhood partners, businesses & stakeholders etc
- At this early stage, an open discussion about potential show stoppers and other risks.