

Minutes of the Neighbourhood Planning Meeting

Thursday 22nd November 2018, 11:30-13:00, Smithy House

Present: Robert Sykes, Steve Rowlinson, Alan Gerrard, Henk Muller

1. Elect chairman for this meeting

In absence of the committee chair, Robert Sykes will chair this meeting

2. Welcome new members

Welcome to Alan Gerrard.

3. Apologies

Apologies have been received from Dorothy Grace and Simon Johnson

4. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes are approved, and there were no matters arising

5. Analysis of the Matterdale process

SR went through the Matterdale questionnaire, which had a return rate of 32%.

The questionnaire asks whether policies are supported or not, this is something that we should revisit after the first stage of our process, which is to get the community to agree to a vision

6. Vision

We revisited the demographics, which shows currently a large number of people in the higher age brackets (nearly half 60+, nearly two-thirds 45+). Action HM to compare this data with comparable parishes, such as Underbarrow.

Enabling people in higher age brackets to downsize and/or stay in the village in appropriate accommodation could be part of the vision.

There is data available on the requirements on new housing, Kendal rural has a negative need for larger homes.

- What stops young people to get to the village, and how do we find out?
- Do we need business units, not necessarily industrial but modern businesses too that just rely on broadband?
- Do we need a permanent occupation clause, as opposed to a local occupation clause? Local includes Broughton in Furness, but excludes Kendal.

The plan-for-record is to distribute the three visions with an abstract late December/early January, collect feedback, and have drop ins later in January.

Action Henk: to create some abstracts (approximate half an A4)

7. Liaising with the National Park

We should communicate the plan of record with Paula and invite her the next meeting.

Action: RS

8. Arrangements for distributing Visions

- printing, will be dealt with next meeting.
- distribution, to all houses
- drop-boxes in localities.
- three drop-ins, one in the school, one in the village hall, on elsewhere, if we can find space nearer the Row or the How, maybe a barn.

9. Any other business

None.