



Minutes of the Kelbrook & Sough Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Meeting no 16

Date and time: 25th March 2020 at 19.00.

Venue: Skype Conference all

Attendees:

Debbie Richardson (Chair), Garry Wilson, Steve Petrovic, Linda Petrovic, Val Kimberley, Audrey Wilson, Christine Wheatley, Alan Wheatley

Apologies

Matthew Kennedy, Paul Maskell, Isabel Wood, Andrew Oliver,

- 16.1 The previous minutes were approved. Proposed by S. Petrovic and seconded by L. Petrovic.
- 16.2 Actions from Minutes – see separate document on updated actions
- 16.3 Action 8.6. SP will load his photos onto Dropbox before the April meeting. AIW said he had a number of photos of the parish which he will load into Dropbox.
- 16.4 GW is working on the history, trees and biodiversity for the Landscape Character Assessments. Progress on the history will be delayed since the county wide records are not available at the moment due to the coronavirus pandemic. Pendle planning relies heavily on written evidence on historical sites etc. More local evidence has been recently discovered with finds of Roman coins in the areas. The historic timelines in connection with these will be located at central records however verification cannot be made until access to the records can be gained. Flora and Fauna, record is not as good as we had initially hoped. However, work is still being progressed with a particular focus on The Red List. Action 16.1 AIW and CW will send their recent garden bird sightings to GW; these include Dunnocks and House Sparrows which are on the Orange List. Mammals, Bats. We are aware of a number of bats in the area however, we would benefit from more expert knowledge. VK knows the local 'bat' specialist ' Nicholas Livesey, who also has knowledge on butterflies and moths. Action 16.2 VK will speak to Nicholas to request his help and advice. She will try to arrange a contact meeting between Nicholas and GW.
- 16.5 Action 15.1 DR informed the villagers about the survey. Streetwise installed the survey at the agreed points and the equipment was in place for a week. One location, Main Street was at a point where cars park and there were 2 occasions where a car's wheels were on the equipment overnight. After talking to the car owner, this did not happen again. Streetwise sent the results of the survey which Alan reviewed and provided some initial analysis.
- 16.6 Action 16.3 GW will collate all the 'Visitor surveys' from the local village hotels and chip shop.
- 16.7 AIW, AuW and GW attended the Linden Road Railway meeting on the 7th March 1-2pm. AuW took some notes from the meeting which will be sent to DR for circulation to the Steering group along with a map provided by the centre. This map illustrates numerous level crossing suggestions, which MP Andrew Stevenson indicated would not be acceptable in this day and age. There was a general feeling that the opening of a railway line would not happen for many years.
- 16.8 AIW has undertaken some analysis of the Traffic Survey. He has plotted some of the data, summarising some of the information from the Traffic survey. What is clear from the data is :-



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Speed limits are regularly broken, some of these could be due to 'emergency service vehicles such as ambulances and Police during the day. However, the A56 is used as a straight run by some vehicles driving too fast .

It was agreed that we would need to define and refine the data and make policies for the village based on the information from the survey.

It is obvious from the data that there is a huge amount of traffic flowing on the A56 and more traffic than we thought through Main Street and up Waterloo Road.

Additionally, we will need to look at the impact of the proportion of heavy vehicles on the A56. Please can members of the Steering group consider questions we can ask Alw in relation to the traffic data.

- 16.9 DR has distributed documents to the attendees that she has completed on the detailed character assessment of the village. These are comprehensive detailed documents, supported by a scoring framework. Each character area has numerous photographic evidence which visually reinforces the comments made. The group thanked DR for the work that she has done on these documents. AlW has responded with some updates on the characteristics relating to Sough. AuW is still reading the documents and has made some notes for possibly inclusion. If possible, the Character Area Assessment could contain an historical 'time-line' for the village eg Roman period , with the links to other centuries , 16th 17th century and onwards .
- 16.10 Action 16.4 GW will provide a summary of Kelbrook Grade II listed buildings to DR to include in the documents.
- 16.11 DR has written to the owners of the sites to ascertain if the sites are still available to develop. The owners of sites PO68 and P183 have not as yet been contactable. Action 15.2 For site P183, VK will try to contact the owners.
- 16.12 Housing Design policies. AuW has completed a first draft of the document which includes sections on :- Development Design recommendations, environment, guidelines for building, materials, extensions, modifications, Street furniture, lighting, garages , cycle paths etc. Once typed to a satisfactory level AuW will email to DR. AuW is also looking at a Strategic Gaps Policy for Kelbrook.
- 16.13 No further updates were available since AW and CW have been away although the transport area is being progressed with the traffic surveys.
- 16.15 Due to the coronavirus pandemic, meetings cannot be held in the Village Hall until further notice so meetings will be held by video conferencing
- 16.14 There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

Next Meeting – Wednesday 15th April at 7.00pm.

A Wilson, Secretary

A reminder of the next meetings are as follows and are all at 7pm in The Village Hall.

Wednesday May 20th

Wednesday June 17th