

TENBURY AND BURFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

Progress Report to Town Council, Meeting 7pm, 07 March 2016 at St Michaels Village Hall

The Consultants

We had a start up meeting with Kirkwells on 18 February 2016. We covered a lot of ground including Structures, Aims, Key Issues and defining The Vision. Kirkwells are now busy undertaking a series of desk top and fact finding studies and commencing discussions with MHDC and Shropshire Council - there will be lots to discuss at our next meeting with them on 28 April 2016.

Agreed Vision - describes what we want our two Parishes to look like in 15-20yrs time.

The Vision for Tenbury and Burford is one of a strong, thriving and healthy community where both the quality of the built environment and the rural character of the settlements is preserved and enhanced for the enjoyment of people of all ages.

Grant Application

Dawn and Kirkwells completed the online application form which was submitted and registered as received by Locality the government administration agency responsible for grant management. We do not anticipate any problems. Maximum grant now available is £9000.00.

Structures - these are a series of written statements setting out how we operate.

To date we have completed The Scoping Document, Term of Reference, Proposed Group Organisation Chart, Task Monitoring Schedule and our Communications Strategy. A Project Plan defining key stages with target dates will also be required. All these documents will in due course be uploaded to the web site. Revisions and further documents may be required as The Project progresses.

Area Designation

We are still awaiting confirmation from MHDC for approval as a Neighbourhood Plan Area and this should come through later this month.

Awareness Meeting

The Steering Group is holding a meeting in The Pump Rooms on Thursday 17 March 2016 at 6:30pm. Invites are about to be sent out to all members of the community that have already registered an interest in getting involved in the Project and to key Stakeholder Groups. This is an invite only event with the objective of informing and raising awareness and to canvass Volunteers particularly from the business and charities sectors. This will be an informal event and light refreshments will be available. Without doubt this event will also be a great opportunity for Steering Group members to meet Volunteers, share The Vision and to exchange views.

Web Site

Dawn and I briefed the web designer last week and we hope to receive initial proposals before the end of the month. A good and easy to use web site will be a vital communications tool. I also suggest that hard copies of all documents are placed in a folder and held in The Pump Rooms and accessible to all.

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