Notes from Neighbourhood Development Plan Meeting – January 2016

Present: Robert Chitham, Jo King, Mark Richards, Andrew Thompson, Liz Connolly, Kate Darby
Apologies: Audrey Bott, David Connor, Brian Barnett, Barrie Morgan, Peter Furneaux, Tom Rogers

Andrew declared an interest.

1/ Site updates in light of Bill Bloxsome (BB) walkabout with Parish Clerk (PC)

Cockgate
- Bashfords have made a proposal that they build 1 or 2 new dwellings on their manege behind (to the East- of) the parish hall and in return would gift some land to the south of the car park that could be used as additional car parking space, that could be used to create circulation around the parish hall and potentially be used as children play area. The access to the new dwellings would be from Green lane and adjacent to this gifted land
- Wason. One dwelling...BB advised more likely to succeed as conversion rather than new-build

Lucton
- BB does not think we can add to Lucton unless residents surrender their gardens.

Bircher
- campsite boundary needs tightening up to restrict untrammelled development
- northern most settlement boundary has been pulled back due to the topography suggesting the end of the village
- The knoll. BB feels that we should not build on this site due to the majestic aspect. All the knoll ground to be excluded from the settlement boundary, but we would like to propose that the stables may be converted to separate dwellings.
- Homelea orchard. BB advised we should not touch this due to heritage reasons.

Yarpole
- New site in Bicton
- New site on corner of James Close
- Brookhouse Farm lane cannot be easily widened
- BB was, on the whole, happy with the way development is being designated
- BB felt that Philip’s Acre was a good model for development in this area

2/ Kate, Robert and Liz on design and heritage

- Kate and Robert feel that they have nearly reached a good set of criteria for good design. The meeting thanked them for the work and quality of expertise therein.
• Andrew suggested we send the draft to Data Orchard so that they can begin the process of incorporating it into the plan and that we make comments to amend as necessary
• The heritage report is being drafted.

3/ Kate and Jo will provide Data Orchard and the community (via the display in the church) with updated lists of sites etc.

Next meeting tbc