

## Neighbourhood Planning meeting held 5 February 2015

Present: Brian Barnett, Audrey Bott, Mark Richards, Barrie Morgan, Liz Connolly, Andrew Thompson, Peter Furneaux,

Apologies: Tom Rogers, Robert Chitham

*Andrew and Barrie declared interests.*

1. There was discussion about the position of Cockgate and whether this could be regarded as part of Yarpole or should be treated as in the rural area. Agreed to try and include it in Yarpole and that Brian would talk with HCC about this.
2. Members reported back on their initial thoughts about sites. The following number of houses might be possible:
  - 13 thought possible on Bircher Common but the position of the National trust would need to be ascertained and the status of planning permission on three of these needed clarification
  - 7 thought possible in Bircher village
  - 10 thought possible in Yarpole

Agreed that David and Peter would have a more detailed look at Lucton to see if anything was possible there, though the general view was that this settlement didn't lend itself to further expansion because of difficulties of access, heritage matters and general setting. It was recognised that these were just initial views and that the PC should issue a formal call for sites and that we would then discuss these with the community at a public meeting.

3. Agreed to start a Newsheet series to be issued with the Parishioner. The first issue would cover who group are, what a NP is and what group are doing. Brian would draft a second issue which would be sent round via email for agreement so that it could appear in the March issue.
4. Liz introduced the first draft of criteria which she and Tom had worked on and which would be used to judge developments. These would be further developed and the community consulted about them at a public meeting. Thanks were expressed to Tom and Liz.
5. Audrey distributed the Built Environment results from the Parish Plan questionnaire which will serve as a helpful point of reference. It was noted that there was broad agreement between the number of houses identified via the PP process and the 14% target.
6. Agreed to ask Jo to apply for funding.
7. Brian would try and get some idea from HCC about the overall timescales involved. ( Post meeting note. HCC currently envisage 46 weeks from regulation 14.)
8. Next meeting to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> March.