

# WILLASTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

## NOTES 19<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017

**Present:** Maurice Jones, Colin Todd, Ann Jones, Martin Langhorn, Anna Cutts, Keith Ward, Rachel O'Hara.

Also in attendance Andrew Thomson Planning Consultant.

**Apologies:** Frank Morton, Shirley Brazier.

**Minutes:** Meeting held on 8<sup>TH</sup> December 2016 – approved.

**Cheshire East Local Plan:** Andrew Thomson gave an interesting update on developments since last meeting. Details had already been sent to members and can still be viewed on Cheshire East website, however the following points were highlighted and discussed.

1. The Inspector was happy but still outlined 13 alterations, however, Cheshire East had accepted the alterations and would republish amended plan late January early February 2017.
2. Movement on the green gap in that the Ministry to take heed of applications already agreed and Councils required to reproduce revised green gap for future development.
3. Appeal next month for 900 houses in Weston and Basford and this would be a real test with this new evidence.
4. Letter from the Minister stating that developers can and must demonstrate that planning applications be commenced within 3 years but further clarification was needed, however, the house industry was up in arms and this could mean a revised planning bill. This will support everything that we and other Neighbourhood groups are doing and the effects and good work must continue.

**Neighbourhood Plan Update:** Colin gave a comprehensive update report on Regulation 14 with statistics from our mailing system mailchimp up to and including 12<sup>th</sup> January. The report gave a summary of the results with comparisons with Wistaston, and not much change is expected before the end of consultation period on the 31<sup>st</sup> January. Colin reported that the exercise had been successful with an 89.7% delivery.

After completion of Regulation 14 a revised document will be issued as Regulation 15 to Cheshire East Council who will then go through their own consultation before producing Regulation 16. The plan then becomes the property of Cheshire East council.

**Photographs, Maps and Plans:** The group viewed the details supplied by various residents and members of the group selected approx. 30 photographs for further consideration, however, it was decided that more details were required to cover the following areas.

1. Traffic congestion
2. Illegal parking
3. Bus routes
4. Recent new development
5. Leisure facilities

**Financial Report:** Martin presented an update Income and Expenditure account with a balance of £1,687.21. This would have to be returned before a new grant application is applied for. Martin requested details for producing the final plan i.e. numbers and cost of printing, distribution and any other incidental costs for the grant application.

**Date of next meeting:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 32, Hollybush Crescent Willaston commencing 7.30pm.