

## **Notes from Neighbourhood plan meeting**

**Feb 14, 8pm, Radford Community Hall**

**PRESENT:** Olly Aries, Brian Follet, Brian Friar, Barbara Wyatt, Brian Austin, Ed Coombs, Judy Steele,

### **1. Logo Design**

Emma had been going to organise a school competition to find a logo for the Plan, but has had to withdraw from the group. Logo could include pub and church or could be a simple square with the words in it in the style of Natural England

**ACTION** Barbara to talk to Naomi and Emma about this.

### **2. Consultant**

Some discussion about when a consultant should be called in as we are doing quite a lot ourselves and may be able to continue for some time without one.

Judy drew the meeting's attention to the fact that Bishops Tachbrook have withdrawn their Neighbourhood plan as they feel that changes an independent suggested would be against the wishes of the parishioners [**see appendix** – I think their whole idea was to stop a particular development which is probably not the correct way to approach a plan, and it sounds as if they went rather fast – see what you think Judy]

**ACTION** Olly will contact consultants Kirkwalls

### **3. Housing Needs Survey**

Olly has been in touch with the district council who in turn have put him in touch with Fiona Henderson of Warwickshire Rural Community Council. They can help us to carry out the housing needs survey at no cost to the parish council.

A housing needs survey is essential to the Neighbourhood Plan.

**ACTION** Olly to arrange a meeting with Fiona Henderson. Barbara and Judy can attend on a Wednesday or Thursday afternoon (Fiona works on those days). Brian Follet may also be able to attend.

Ed Coombs will take responsibility for the design of the survey.

#### **4. Refusal of Taylor-Wimpey and Valley sites**

Olly would like to know the deeper reasoning behind these refusals, but no action was planned to facilitate this.

#### **5. Project Planning for the Neighbourhood plan**

Discussed putting together a short initial survey with a few questions which also explains the gist of the Neighbourhood plan inviting some feedback about what people feel about the village. This should also include a simplified vision statement with bullet points. Headline along the lines of 'Help decide the future of our village'. We will give two weeks to respond, with a drop-off box in the shop ( we met shop owner outside hall and have basic approval, need to discuss details).

Decision about timing of circulation may be informed when we have our discussion with Fiona Henderson as we may be able to combine mailings/circulation with housing needs survey.

**ACTION** Judy to refer to Emma's draft and to continue with a draft short questionnaire and modified vision statement to circulate to members so that a decision can be made at the next meeting.

#### **6. Terms of reference for a working group of the parish council**

As a working group of the parish council we should ideally have a terms of reference document.

**ACTION** Brian Friar to research this and circulate a draft.

## **7. Facebook page**

Naomi Northey has offered the park restoration page to the Neighbourhood plan. However we would need one or two people to manage the page on a regular basis

**ACTION** Judy will find out how this can be achieved from Naomi and report back.

## **8. Launch event**

Discussed but no date set. Leamington has had its initial launch and both Barbara and Judy have some information about this.

Ideas included –

- Large maps, one of whole parish, one of village area for people to add comments
- Post-it notes for ideas which are then grouped and will flag up main interests/concerns
- Two drop-in sessions one during the day at a weekend, one on a weekday evening (perhaps before the Neighbourhood plan meeting) to gather peoples' opinions.
- Refreshments may help

**ACTION** Carry discussion forward to next meeting. More details about Housing Survey will be available be then so will inform discussion.

## **9. Note-taking** – a rota would be useful

**ACTION:** Olly to draft one?

## **10. Date of next meeting: Tuesday March 14, 8pm Radford Semele Community Hall**

**APPENDIX – Bishops Tachbrook Neighbourhood plan withdrawal  
Initial notice of consultation**

The Parish Council has approved the Draft Neighbourhood Plan and it is now ready for consultation.

The consultation period will be for 6 weeks from 24th September and will run until Wednesday, 5th November.

There is a public event on Saturday, 11th October from 1.30pm until 4.30pm at Bishop's Tachbrook Primary School. Please come along and record your views.

The Neighbourhood Plan Documents are available to be viewed during this period (see attachments on Parish Council page of this website in the Neighbourhood Plan section) or on the Parish Council notice boards with printed copies available to take away from the shop.

Such is the importance of this for the parish that the draft Neighbourhood Plan could prove to be decisive in the planning appeal hearing regarding the proposed housing behind Holt Avenue. Residents support is key to getting the Plan finalised and adopted which will then provide an effective layer of protection for the Parish against further housing development for many years to come.

### **District Council's statement about withdrawal**



[www.warwickdc.gov.uk](http://www.warwickdc.gov.uk)

### **Bishop's Tachbrook Neighbourhood Plan Withdrawal Statement**

In January 2016 Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council submitted its Neighbourhood Plan to Warwick District Council. A six week period of

consultation took place between 26 February 2016 and 08 April 2016.

Following this, the Neighbourhood Plan, supporting documentation, and representations received during the consultation were sent to the appointed independent examiner, Nigel McGurk. Mr McGurk produced his report on the Bishops Tachbrook Neighbourhood Plan in August 2016.

The Examiner's report recommended a range of revisions and deletions to the Neighbourhood Plan in order that it would meet the Basic Conditions set out in Section 8(2) of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as inserted by the Localism Act 2011 Schedule 10).

Given the number and nature of the recommendations made by the Examiner, Bishops Tachbrook Parish Council and Warwick District Council agreed under the provisions of Regulation 17A of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations (inserted 01 October 2016), to extend the date by which the Local Planning Authority must decide what action to take in response to each recommendation. The agreed date was 27 January 2017.

Having considered the Examiner's recommendations in detail, Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council has concluded that the changes and substantial deletions proposed would result in a Neighbourhood Plan which would not address a number of key issues identified by the local community. The Parish Council is consequently concerned that if the Neighbourhood Plan were to proceed with the recommendations, it would not result in a 'Yes' vote in the community referendum.

Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council formally notified Warwick District Council of its decision to withdraw the Neighbourhood Plan on 24 January 2017 (appendix A). The Parish Council intends to develop a new Neighbourhood Plan for Bishops Tachbrook, by revising key policies and updating evidence as necessary. This will be done with support from Warwick District Council. The Parish Council hopes to address the concerns of the Examiner and meet

the Basic Conditions, whilst reflecting the aspirations of the community.

Further updates and details on the Bishops Tachbrook Neighbourhood Plan will be published on:

[https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20444/neighbourhood\\_plans/957/bishops\\_tachbrook](https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20444/neighbourhood_plans/957/bishops_tachbrook)

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Appendix 1

BISHOP'S TACHBROOK PARISH COUNCIL Clerk to the Council: Mrs  
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Ms. Hayley Smith, Senior Planning Officer, Warwick District Council,  
Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire CV32 5HZ

Dear Ms. Smith,

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

24<sup>th</sup> January, 2017.

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Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council would like to withdraw their  
neighbourhood plan.

Many thanks for your help, Yours sincerely,

Corinne Hill Parish Clerk