3rd Meeting of Crosthwaite & Lyth Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group 30th Oct 2018 at 11:30am

Present: Simon Johnson (Chair), Robert Sykes, Henk Mueller, Steve Rowlinson

- 1. Apologies for absence received from Dorothy Grace
- **2. Minutes** of the last meeting on 10th October 2018 were accepted as a true record.

3. Report on actions since last meeting

a) Village Meeting 5th September (SJ)

Notes taken by the Clerk to the Parish Council at this meeting are waiting for the approval by the Parish Council at the next Parish Council.

b) Matterdale NP Experience (SJ)

SJ summarised the key points from following a discussion with the Matterdale PC. Matterdale engages a consultant at a cost of £7000 and the NP took 1.5 years to complete (6 months spent developing the vision). This compares with 4 years for the Coniston NP. Matterdale PC felt using a consultant was beneficial as it helped tease out the key issues and frame policies that dove tailed LDNP and National Planning policies. In terms of engagement a number of open meetings were held but the majority of the feedback from parishioners was obtained via the questionnaire.

c) Grant Funding (SJ)

It was reported that central government has a fund to support PC's in developing NP. Each PC can apply for up to £9000. However should we apply now any funding not spent by March 2019 would have to be returned and a second application made. As the process only allows for 4 applications throughout the development of a NP it was agreed we would not apply until we had clearly identified a need for the financial support.

d) Web Site (SJ)

The NP page has been established on the Crosthwaite and Lyth website. An email address for the NP Steering Group has also been established.

4. Census 2011 & 2001 profiles (SJ)

Profiles showing the changing demographic of the Parish between 2001 and 2011 were circulated to the group as background information.

5. New Steering Committee Member

SJ presented short list of parishioners who had expressed interest previously in joining Steering Committee.

6. Draft Vision Statements (SR)

Following Roger Smith's conversation with Paula Allen (LDNP) in which it was stressed that a strong community vision is crucial as the starting point for a NP, three draft vision statements outlining a broad range of potential positions with regards to development of the Parish were tabled and discussed. It is intended that these vision statements will be used as examples when engaging with parishioners to enable the Steering Group to establish which vision or which aspects of each vision were most closely aligned to the views, desires and aspirations of the parishioners.

It was envisaged that the process by which the Steering Group would engage and get feedback from the parishioners on these vision statements will broadly be;

Communicate vision consultation process – Web Site & Parish Magazine (12 Dec 2018 deadline)

Mailshot Vision Statement to all residents in Parish and publish on Web Site w/c 31 Dec 18

Drop in sessions in village Hall w/c 14 Jan 19

If parishioners unable to attend drop in sessions then can feedback by email or returning comments on feedback form.

7. United Utilities Meeting (SJ)

Feedback on the meeting with UU regarding the current water supply issues was presented and on how the water supply would cope with further development.

8. LDNP Local Plan (SJ)

It was noted that the LDNP had signalled that their Local Plan timetable may be delayed by 3 months. The number of comments received was much more than anticipated and is taking them longer to process. In addition the recently published National Park Policy Planning Framework (NPPPF) will have to integrated into the Local Plan which may cause some delay.

9. Friends of the Lake District (FotLD)

Following FotLD involvement in the Cross Howe development it was agreed that approaching and engaging with FotLD at the right time would be beneficial as they may be able to provide guidance and support.

10. SLDC Housing Survey (SR)

SR still awaiting feedback / clarification from Councillor

Future action

Action: Henk will endeavour to develop a forecast demographic for 2021 by extrapolating the 2001 & 2011 data

Action: Simon Arrange a similar meeting to that held with UU with Electricity North West

Action: Simon to approach chosen individual to join Steering Group

Action: All to identify consultants who are familiar with rural issues to advise on community data gathering. The professional advice will be paid for out of the grant

Action : Steve will continue to develop vision statements and potentially additional visions with the support of the Steering Group

Action: Steve will continue to follow up SLDC housing data from John Holmes

Action: Henk will review new NPPPF to explore what impact this may have on LDNP Local Plan

Action: Robert to explore if PC has access to a list of all residents of the Parish

Everyone to note anything that comes out of conversations with people in the community

Next meetings: Thursday 22nd November 11.00am at the Smithy House Monday 17th December 09:30am at Hardriggs