MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

Report of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party held in the Memorial Hall on Wednesday 18th May 2016

Present: J Marsden Chairman

Also Present: Cllr T Weston J Finnigan

J Gibbon B Morgan J Weston H Woodman

1. Apologies: S Rose

2. Declarations of interest

J Finnigan, J Weston and T Weston declared interests on specific issues commented on within this report.

3. Report 20th April 2016 - The report was accepted.

4. Evidence Base Summary

Discussion identified some content and formatting issues.

ACTION

B Morgan and J Finnigan to forward their respective issues to J Marsden in order for him to refer changes to S Tagg. J Marsden indicated that a Priority Habitats Map he and H Woodman had prepared would be added as an appendix to the Evidence Base Summary.

5. Issue following Public Meeting 11 April – Old Pike

- Response to Mr and Mrs Carlton sent after 20 April Meeting
- Letter W and K Miller
- Letter J Brierley
- Format letter from 1,3 and 4 Old Pike Road (Names illegible)

Each of the above were discussed in some detail.

J Weston and T Weston did not engage in discussions where they had an interest.

ACTION

J Marsden was tasked with writing a summary of the Working Party's response to the issues raised in these letters.

J Weston was asked to review these responses before they were distributed.

J Gibbon was requested to sign and distribute these responses on behalf of the Working Group.

A copy of all the above letters and their relevant responses accompanies this report in an appendix. (REPORT2016-05-18 Appendix1.pdf).

These documents will also be posted on the Parish Council website under CORRESPONDENCE.

As part of the discussion the availability of playground and sporting provision within the Parish was raised. The historic use of the field at the end of Watery Lane as a sportsfield was mentioned. This issue can be revisited when the possible identification of land for sporting use is considered.

6. Issue following Public Meeting 11 April – St Bartholomew's Churchyard & Parking

- Letter J Chapman
- Letter P Benson Archdeacon of Hereford
- Two Churchyard Maps

Each of the above were discussed in some detail.

J Finnigan took no part in discussions of the substantive issues.

ACTION

J Marsden was tasked with writing a summary of the Working Party's response to the issues raised in these letters.

J Weston was asked to review these responses before they were distributed.

J Gibbon was requested to sign and distribute these responses on behalf of the Working Group.

A copy of all the above letters and the response accompanies this report in an appendix. (REPORT2016-05-18 Appendix2.pdf).

These documents will also be posted on the Parish Council website under CORRESPONDENCE.

7. Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

The Chairman was complimented for his efforts in initiating this work.

Initial feedback from S Tagg had identified a need to cross-refer to, but not duplicate, the Core Strategy policies and to add value or complement these with more specific policies for this Parish. Members were requested to look again at the Core Strategy policies.

Members comments on uncertainty with regard to differing policy content for Rushall, Kynaston and Much Marcle in context of Core Strategy Policy RA2 – Housing in settlements outside Hereford and the market towns, Figure 4.14 – Settlements which will be the main focus of proportional housing development (includes Much Marcle), and Figure 4.15 – Other settlements where proportionate housing is appropriate (includes Rushall, but not Kynaston).

ACTION

J Marsden agreed to contact K Johnson of Herefordshire Planning Department to clarify this matter.

ACTION

J Marsden would email the next revised version of the draft NDP to Working Party members and welcomed any comments on this first draft version.

8. Support from S Tagg

ACTION

T Weston and J Marsden to arrange to meet with S Tagg to consider the support she could provide as a consultant in reviewing the draft Neighbourhood Plan leading up to and after the Regulation 14 stage. A second Locality Grant application could be made after this meeting.

9. Number of developed houses

ACTION

T Weston was asked to update the number of houses that had been developed since 2011.

10. **Date of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 6th July.

J. Gibbon

May 2016