

# MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

## Report of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party held in the Memorial Hall on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2014

Present:

Councillors                      T Weston                                      Chairman

Also Present                      J Brierley                                      K Cotton  
    J Finnigan                                      J Weston  
    J Wood

    D Baldwin                                      Clerk to the Parish Council  
    J Gibbon                                      NPWP Secretary

### 1. Apologies

    J Marsden                                      C Monkley  
    B Morgan                                      S Rose  
    A Taylor                                      R White

J Brierley reported that R Yorke had resigned.

### 2. Declarations of interest.

No declarations of interest were received at this point in the meeting.

### 3. Report 16<sup>th</sup> April

The report, which had been approved at the previous Parish Council meeting, was accepted subject to the following:

- a) The Secretary apologised for the omission of K Cotton from the list of attendees,
- b) J Marsden's disagreement to the wording of item 6 was noted.

### 4. A Vision for the Much Marcle Development Plan

Discussion identified that dissemination to the public needed a short and simple statement.

It was suggested that the introduction of the draft document:

#### **"A Vision for Much Marcle Neighbourhood Development Plan.**

The Much Marcle Neighbourhood Development Plan Group should draw up a plan for this community working within the guidelines of The Core Strategy Vision, which states -

"Herefordshire will be a place of distinctive environmental, historical and cultural assets and local communities, with sustainable development fostering a high quality of life for those who live, work and visit here. A sustainable future for the county will be based on the interdependence of the themes of social progress, economic prosperity and environmental quality with the aim of increasing the county's self-reliance and resilience."

This should be undertaken with a clear understanding of the possible social, environmental, demographic, energy and economic changes that are likely to occur within the 20 year timeframe for the plan.”

would be a relevant component of the Development Plan.

Other issues in the draft document would be incorporated in the Development Plan as a natural part of the consultation process. The emphasis was that Much Marcle was a pleasant and sustainable place to live and work in.

No specific decision was taken as further overlapping issues were addressed.

#### 5. Questionnaire produced by J Brierley and R Yorke

J Brierley reviewed the Erdisley document which fell into six categories:

1. Housing – New, type and where.
2. Village Economy and Employment
3. Traffic, transport and access
4. Protection of the Environment
5. Improving Community Services
6. Creating a long term sustainable community

**ACTION:** The following sub-groups were established their task being to review the structure of their part of the Questionnaire to ensure the relevance of the questions to Much Marcle:

1. J Marsden J Weston
2. J Finnigan T Weston
3. B Morgan J Gibbon
4. C Monkley S Rose
5. J Wood R White

It was requested that they email their efforts to other members of the committee a week before the date of the next meeting scheduled for 18/06/14.

**Action** The Parish Clerk to investigate the number of houses allocated to Much Marcle under the Herefordshire County Plan.

#### Group Questionnaires:

School The Chairman reported that a Questionnaire based on the Erdisley version had been submitted to the School Governors and the results were in the process of being typed up.

#### Businesses

**Action** J Weston and J Finnigan to revise the Business Survey Questionnaire based on the Erdisley model.

#### Community Groups

**Action** The Parish Clerk to review a Community Group Questionnaire.

#### Young Persons

**Action** The Parish Clerk to review a Questionnaire for Young Persons.

#### P.T.A.

**Action** The Chairman to review a Questionnaire for the P.T.A.

#### 6. Baseline Report

This was deferred to the next meeting.

7. Chairman's List of topics to be addressed in the Neighbourhood Plan

All issues had been considered in previous discussions.

8. Professional Help from Planning Consultants

Members considered the appointment of Planning Consultants to help with the development of the Neighbourhood Plan. After discussion it was decided to:

**Recommendation: That Parish Council engage Foxley Tagg as the consultants for the Neighbourhood Plan.**

9. Addendum to the Village Design Statement

**Action The Secretary to circulate to committee members the “Addendum to the Village Design Statement” prepared by J Finnigan including three additional issues that the Committee needed to consider.**

10. Items for inclusion in the next meeting

- (a) Consideration of the Settlement Area.
- (b) Consideration of the Conservation Area.
- (c) Solar Panels.

J. Gibbon

Secretary NPWP

25<sup>th</sup> May 2014