

Meeting Minutes – **Shaftesbury, Melbury Abbas and Cann Neighbour Hood Plan**
23rd Apr 2014

Attendees:-

Bernie Ede
Catherine Loveday
John Parker
Karen Tippins – Cllr – (minute taker)
Pierre Jordaan
Rachel Caldwell
Richard Tippins – Cllr - (Chair)

Location: -

Shaftesbury Town Hall

Date & Time:-

23rd April 2014; 14:00-16:00

1. **Shaftesbury, Melbury Abbas and Cann Neighbourhood Plan – Policy Option** paper from NDDC requires discussion regarding feedback to NDDC and action plan. Currently NDDC are assuming that all items in ‘Red’ are to be undertaken by Shaftesbury. – **Action C/F - All**
2. Agreed to use Thame Planning Policy as a Template for Shaftesbury, Melbury Abbas and Cann Neighbourhood Planning Policy.
<http://www.thametowncouncil.gov.uk/index.php?Itemid=148>
3. PJ to mentioned the Farrell Report – Newcastle Graduate article on Pro-active Planning; ownership & Control. <http://www.theplanner.co.uk/features/terry-farrell-civic-realm-hero>
4. **Neighbour Hood Policy Document for Shaftesbury, Melbury Abbas and Cann.** Discussions were held around building up the Neighbourhood Planning Policy – see attached notes and also attached PDF information. It was agreed to start determining the ‘headings’ for the Planning Policy based on what we knew didn’t work in Shaftesbury.
5. **Initial Policy Headings.** The Following initial list of suggested Policy Headings was determined – the method developed was stating what wasn’t correct for Shaftesbury, Melbury Abbas and Cann:-
 - o High Density Housing
 - o Poor Social Mix
 - o No Business Opportunity
 - o Lack of Public Open Spaces
 - o Houses of Poor Design
 - o Open Spaces/land wasted on SUDS
 - o Lack of strategic clear pathways
 - o No Commercial Shops
 - o No Transport Links
 - o Inadequate Schooling for population of children
 - o Lack of Distinct Roads
 - o Inadequate Medical Provision
6. **Central Point to Community Resource.** Review of large map of Shaftesbury – present date, which included the new developed and developing Persimmons zones - debated on ‘new’ central location for Shaftesbury – since the development of the Maltings – Cochrams, Barton Hill and the Cattle

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Market now are the central zone between the rest of Shaftesbury and the new section of Shaftesbury – the Persimmons Housing Development on the eastern side. Cattle Market has a 50 Year lease – is NDDC owned land – livestock market every Mon, Wed and Thursday. All agreed that this is an area which required careful thought for the new evolving shape of Shaftesbury.

7. **Shaftesbury only:- Ambulance/police/fire engine** – all agreed on requirement for new site allocation to include all of the emergency services currently located in different sites around Shaftesbury.
8. **Next Meeting:-** Thursday (15th May) 7-9pm in the Mayors Parlour of the Town Hall. We will be carrying on from the last meeting determining the key objectives that need to be translated into planning policies. In addition we need to determine the main grouping (policy themes) of the objectives that we will use in the draft plan. A starting suggestion (taken from the Neighbourhood Plans Roadmap Guide) would be:-
 - Employment
 - Town Centre & Retail
 - Housing & Community facilities
 - Urban Design
 - Historic Environment
 - Natural Environment
 - Transport

Minutes by
K Tippins