

Lound with Ashby, Herringfleet and Somerleyton Neighbourhood Plan

Minutes of Steering Group meeting held on Wednesday 2nd November 2016,
at Lound Village Hall.

Present: Jenni Livingstone, Hugh Somerleyton, Rita Flatt, Miles Thomas,
Chris Morris, Paul Strowlger, David Cook, Mike Brackenbury,
Jo McCallum, Louis Smith.

Apologies from: Maureen Gibbs.

Copies of the minutes to go to the following who have agreed to help without attending all the meetings: Gerda Gibbs, David Pugh, Nicky Mathers, Richard Hartgrove.

1. Minutes from last meeting.

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting on 12th October were a true record.

2. Footpaths.

Mike Brackenbury reminded us that the footpaths are ancient, and in olden times were used by everybody to get from one village to another. They are still a great asset and are used for exercise and recreation. They attract many visitors to the area.

Mike is planning to survey all the footpaths in the area, and will note whether any are blocked, the condition of the surface, and whether the signage is satisfactory. This data will be used when writing our Neighbourhood Plan. It was suggested that it could also be published in booklet form. Jo McCallum offered to send Mike contact details for the public rights of way team at Suffolk County Council.

3. Consultation Event on 13th November.

- Publicity. Posters have been put onto the notice boards in Somerleyton and Lound. Flyers have been delivered to all houses in Somerleyton and Lound. A letter has been sent to businesses in Somerleyton and Lound. A notice has been published in the Lowestoft Journal and the Hexagon.

Louis to create a log to record the dates and methods used to publicise the event.

- Displays and Maps. The displays and maps to be used at the event were approved.

- Handouts. A draft handout which explains the Neighbourhood Planning process was tabled. It was agreed that Jenni's contact details should be added.

- Sign in sheet. People attending will be asked to sign an attendance sheet, but full addresses will not be required.

- Refreshments. Tea, Coffee, and Biscuits to be available.

4. Other ways to consult with local residents.

It was suggested that Somerleyton School should be approached to see if the children could be involved in the consultation.

It was also suggested that the Neighbourhood Plan could be included on the "Somerleyton Together" facebook page. Jenni to follow up these suggestions.

5. Next Meeting.

The next steering group meeting will be on Wednesday 7th December at Somerleyton Village Hall at 7.30pm. This meeting will review the 13th November consultation event, and any responses we have collected.

The next stage will be to analyse the responses and use them to generate a questionnaire. Jo McCallum offered to set up a meeting in the New Year to explain how to use the software which generates the questionnaire.

Louis Smith