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Our Neighbourhood Plan

## Future Dursley Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Minutes of Steering Group Meeting 7pm 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017

Present: Chair, Councillor Neil Grecian, Jonathan Bird (Dursley Resident), Mike Johnson (Dursley Resident), Leah Wellings, (Dursley Town Council), Anita Gambie (Dursley Town Council).

1. Apologies for absence  
Councillor Wendy Thomas, Councillor Sue Creswick, Councillor Mel Laybourne , Krystyna Dembny (Dursley Resident), Gayle Collins (Dursley Resident), Nick Organ (Dursley Resident).
2. Minutes from 25 January 2017  
The Minutes were agreed.
3. Matters arising from the Minutes  
**Cam and Dursley Youth Forum** would be contacted again and asked to comment on the draft plan.

A meeting has been set up for **14<sup>th</sup> March with Simon Maher, the new Neighbourhood Planning Officer at Stroud DC**. Items for discussion would include our request for an initial screen of our draft NDP for a Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitat Regulations Assessment.

**Members' Interest Forms** are still needed for two members of the Steering Group.

**An interactive briefing session for Councillors**, which will take the form of a quiz, will be held on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm at the Fire Station**.

SDC have not yet released the draft Heritage Strategy for consultation with parish and town councils.

4. Review draft NDP summary leaflet  
Krystyna and Jonathan were thanked for providing the text for the draft leaflet.

In discussion the following points were raised:

- Adding in additional colour would help to break up the text and make the leaflet more appealing to readers.
- The leaflet needed to be as eye catching and attention grabbing as possible.



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- The caption for the photograph of the Primary School children needed to provide a description of their activity.
- The 'What's next' section should be moved to nearer the front of the leaflet.
- There should be a photograph for every proposed local green space designation.
- The final leaflet would be published on the town council's website and Facebook page.
- The summary leaflet would also be emailed to the Gazette.

The leaflet would be revised to include the above comments and recirculated to the Steering Group for comments.

The final leaflet would be printed and delivered to every household in Dursley (subject to Council approval for this expenditure).

### 5. Update from consultation on working draft version of the NDP

This consultation on the working draft version of the NDP had run until 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Although comments received after this date would still be accepted.

The draft plan had been posted on the Town Council NDP webpage and publicised on 'Dursley Matters' Facebook Page. Posters had been placed on public noticeboards around the town and within the library and Sainsbury's supermarket.

Clerks of surrounding parishes had also been emailed a link to the draft plan and asked to share this with their Councillors.

Responses had been received from two residents and two neighbouring parishes. A meeting with the residents and a site visit to discuss the NDP response would be set up. Jonathan agreed to attend this as a representative of the Steering Group.

### 6. Photographs selected for the final draft NDP

The SG selected photographs to illustrate the NDP using the guide Jonathan had provided at the January meeting.

**Front page** – 4 images representing Dursley in general. The group agreed to use the images which are on the front cover of the January working draft.

**Page 3 – Introduction** – 4 images representing Dursley in general. Selected were the images of St James' Church, View down Long Street, Jacob's House and the Priory.



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**Page 7 – Vision** – Visionary pictures. Selected were four aerial shots, the view of the whole of Dursley, The Rec, and Aerial shot of the hospital. A further aerial image illustrating economy and business.

**Page 11 – Development Strategy** - 4 illustrative images. The group wanted two housing images and two business images for this page. The housing selection included Manor View and Ewelme. The business selections were images of Drake House and the new units at the Littlecombe Business Park.

**Page 16 – Old Dairy** - 3 images required.

**Page 17 - Bus Station** - 3 images - 1 image selected a further two required.

**Page 18 - Reliance House** -3 images required.

**Page 19 – Cambridge House** - 3 images required

**Page 20 – Town Centre** – 4 images. The group selected the current image of Sainsbury's, one of the views up Parsonage Street, a picture of Lily and Violet Savage shop front and a further image of Dursley Town Centre is required.

**Page 21 – Town Centre – Public Realm improvements.** Suggested images included one of Dursley Town Festival, the front of Archway Dental Practice and an image of the Link area including the benches and noticeboard. Images are required for this selection.

**Page 24 – Policies and Projects** -4 images. Suggestions were made to include a map of the Cam, Dursley and Uley Greenway. Other images are required to illustrate these projects.

**Page 27 - Environment, Landscape and Sustainability** – Four images were selected Bluebells, Caswell Duck Pond, Badger, and the view looking towards the Crest Nicholson Estate.

**Page 36/7 – Housing** – 6 images were selected – Flats on Somerset Avenue, Torchacre Rise, The Old School House, the House with the interesting roof, the view looking down Bull Pitch and the view looking up Kingshill Road.

**Page 37/38 – Economy and Business** - Images selected were the May Lane Garage, Intersound music shop, Everhot cookers and Avon Laundry. Additional images which reflect the full range of Dursley based businesses are also required.



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**Page 44 - Character and Design** – Two landscape images and two built environment images were suggested to illustrate this theme. The Treehouse and an image of Lloyds bank viewed through the War Memorial Gates were selected for the built environment.

**Page 53 – Services and Facilities** – The group selected images of The Vibe, Library, May Lane Surgery and Rednock school to illustrate this theme.

**Page 59/61 – Traffic and Transport** – Images of buses, cycling and cycles parked up were suggested for this topic.

7. Update on Proposed Local Green Space Designations

Landowners had been notified by letter that their site had been nominated as a Local Green Space for designation within the Dursley Neighbourhood Plan. No responses had yet been received.

8. Locality grant

A grant of £1900 had been received from Locality to fund additional expert planning support from Place Studio.

9. Date and Chair of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 12 April** and will be chaired by **Nick Organ**.