ES&BG Neighbourhood Plan Steering Team Meeting on Zoom

Tuesday 31st August 2021 – special meeting to discuss leaflet distribution

Present:

Marian Dain Paul Debenham Simon Willson

Charles Gillow Gill Lock John Dain (reporter)

Apologies to Beth Reed for failing to allow entry to Zoom

Apology: Tony Greener.

Key points from meeting:

Next Steering Group meeting is set for Tuesday Sept 7th and is planned to be a Vision session with oneil homer. A possible issue is that if we do not have funding from Locality approved, we will not have been able to formally contract oneil homer as our consultant and the meeting might need to be delayed until Sept 14th. Ecchinswell Village Hall would be available then and all present confirmed they could attend (Paul would be via Zoom)

Charles reported that funding from Locality should get first internal nod on Sept 1st (although several admin steps then have to take place before process is complete). Assuming this happens it is reasonable for us to ask oneil homer to proceed on Sept 7th even though we will not have the grant finally processed.

Photo competition has ended with only a very few entries despite frequent reminders. Agreement that we honour the prize offer anyway. Marian and Gill to make selection and award.

Invitation leaflet distribution

Purpose is to maximise attendance at Community Consultations on 24th/25th September and to collect contact info for follow up communications

Discussion guide circulated discussed and agreed as an aid to doorstep discussion – final version with key messages here: Final brief for leaflet distribution (Web view)

Distribution Plan:

- Paul with Kathy/Daryl/Rachel(?) to cover Bishops Green John & Marian will assist if required
- Charles to cover Hare Warren/Ashley Warren/Sydmonton (area including and south of Kingsclere to Old Burghclere road)
- Simon to cover Ratt's Cottages to War Memorial inc. first 2 houses on Hyde Lane
- Gill with Beth/Liz to cover the core of Ecchinswell south of the War Memorial inc. 3 houses by stream behind the pub.
- John & Marian to cover Brocks Green/north of Ratt's Cottages, Back Lane, Hyde Lane and other outlying locations

Packs comprising Leaflets, Coasters, green jacket will be distributed at meeting on 7th September

Brief discussion of the latest move by Catesby estates launching a consultation on their proposal for College Copse Fields. This will be subject of a special open session at the PC meeting on 8th September and a residents group is forming to co-ordinate a response. This activity is not part of the Neighbourhood Plan and we should encourage residents with views to participate in the meeting and link with the residents group.