



SA/2016/NDP

24th August 2016

Summary of notes, recommendations and actions following a meeting of the Newport Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group held in The Guildhall, The High Street on Wednesday 24th August 2016

Present:

Cllr Tim Nelson – Steering Group Chairman – Newport Town Council
Cllr Peter Scott – Newport Town Council
Cllr Lyn Fowler – Newport Town Council
Cllr Tim Pryce – Newport Town Council
Mr Eric Carter – Newport Regeneration Partnership
Janet Clarke – Newport Civic Society
Cath Edwards – Newport 21
Steve Jones – Newport Canal Trust
Glyn Thomas – Newport Allotment Society
Patrick Beech – Newport Chamber of Commerce

In attendance

Lee Jakeman – Town Clerk
Sheila Atkinson - Deputy Clerk

Apologies:

Rev Steve Mitchell - Newport Churches Together
Bernie Jones – Shrewsbury & Newport Canal Trust
Steve Jones – Shrewsbury & Newport Canal Trust
Mike Atherton – Town Team Manager



| Agenda Topic | Summary | Actions/ comments / outcomes |
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| Welcome & Brief | <p>Cllr Nelson welcomed and thanked members for their efforts in compiling the submissions for the initial template.</p> <p>Furthermore, Cllr Nelson advised that the Submissions were received up to 15th July and then incorporated (unedited) into the draft that had been distributed with the agenda for this meeting. He reflected on the work undertaken by the various groups and members of the steering group during the process, and the inclusion of evidence which had been used during the consultation for the Telford & Wrekin Local Plan.</p> | |
| Draft NDP template | <p>Members noted the draft NDP document and provided comments, précised below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- It was clear that many people had spent much time providing draft content.- That there were areas of repetition and overlap; rightly so when more than one organisation had been asked to contribute to the same element.- That some of the submissions might need to be moved around the document to improve the format or split between the headings; Aspirations, The Plan in Bite Sized Chunks and Policies.- That some more specific understanding of the HMO matter was required and how that might translate to policy.- More detailed referencing required.- A common style would need to be adopted.- That professional (paid for) help would be needed to produce an objective 2nd draft.- That some stylising work needed to be undertaken (to include pictures, maps, tables etc.)- That large elements of the 2004 and 2010 Water Lane Planning Statements produced by T&W be included with reference being made to suitability for affordable housing and mixed use.- Need to be mindful of how trees are managed as part of development. | |



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| <p>Refining the Draft</p> | <p>Members declined to edit the document. Keeping in all the content provided at this stage would provide a more informed view for an external consultant.</p> <p>Members considered that the authors of comments should remain visible in the document. This would likely help an external consultant to understand the source of the issue, the angle of approach and follow the evidence trail.</p> | |
| <p>The Way Forward</p> | <p>Members <u>recommended that</u> the unedited draft document be put before the Town Council for the next meeting scheduled for 14th September to gain formal approval to commission and external planning consultant to undertake a review/validation /referencing and initial rewrite to produce the first real draft of the Newport NDP; terms of reference likely to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consideration of the evidence obtained to date (public consultations, review of working groups etc.). - Consideration of the first draft in relation to the proposed local plan. - Identifying if evidence exists to support the views of the 1st draft - Consideration of comments of the Steering group (now embedded in draft document). - Producing a project timeline linked to statutory process. - A report identifying the strengths and weaknesses of the 1st/2nd draft. - The submission of a summary document that identifies the next steps (i.e. submit, delete unsound policies or get more evidence) following the workshop and the brief to the Council. - Produce a revised (stylised) draft - A 2hr workshop with the Steering Group – to discuss the above report. - A 1hr presentation to the Town Council – to discuss the above report. | <p>Table draft at Town Council Meeting 14 Sep 16.</p> |