

Durham City Neighbourhood Planning Forum

Notes of meeting of Working Group held on 21st June 2016 at 10.15 in the Miners' Hall, Redhills

1. Present

John (A) (acting chair)
Kirsty, Pippa, Susan, David
Ros (acting secretary)

Apologies from Adam, Roger, David (M), John (L), Jonathan and Linda (L), Angela, Matthew

2. Theme Template

The main decision made at the meeting was the format to be followed for each of the themes:

- Vision - the essence of the Plan in relation to each theme – 1 or 2 sentences
- Context
- Policies
For each policy
 - Policy heading - e.g. D 1 Land for residential development
 - Policy wording
 - Any necessary explanation of the policy set out in bullet points e.g. the meaning of the Emerald Necklace
- Reasoned justification to comprise:
 - Feedback from consultation, what people said
 - National and other policy background including NPPF, any policies of the withdrawn County Plan that we think should be referenced, guidance from national bodies e.g. English Heritage
 - Include saved policies otherwise they will be lost after the Neighbourhood Plan is adopted.

3. Documents

John (A) and Susan will ensure that all the most up to date papers are circulated to everyone in the working group. This will enable each theme to be revised in the light of comments received and in accordance with the above format.

4. Historic introduction

Kirsty volunteered to write the historic introduction.

5. BID meeting

Pippa and Adam will together make arrangements for Durham City's BID meeting in the Town Hall which the County Council will attend and give presentations on the Issues and Options. It was agreed the presentation from the Neighbourhood Plan would only be the Policy headings (see 2 above) and an explanation of who and what the Forum and Neighbourhood Plan is. John (A) has made a similar presentation to the AAP which he can share.

6. Forum meeting

It was agreed that the Forum meeting scheduled for 6.00pm on 8th July was not necessary and instead the Forum should meet on Friday 2nd September at 6.00pm.

7. Thanks

The meeting wished to minute its thanks to David Miller for his significant contribution to the Plan

NEXT MEETING

The next Working Group meeting will be held on 5th July at 10.00am in the community room at Wharton Park.