

# Stakeholder Group Meeting Notes

Subject	Church Stretton neighbourhood Plan
Location	Mayfair Centre, Church Stretton
Date/time of meeting	Wednesday 18 October 2023, 8pm – 10pm.
Project Attendees	Sue Manns – Independent Chair
	Andy Munro
	Hilary Claytonsmith
	Andrew Hall
	Paul Harding
	Carol Giblin
	David Wilks
	Alex Wilson
	John Holden
	Julie Cowley
	Vikky Munro
	Charles Jones
Apologies	Holly Beaumont
	Charlotte Prince

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#### These notes are to be read in conjunction with the slides (Appendix 1)

1 Introduction

Andy Munro (AM) welcomed everyone to the meeting and Introduce Sue Manns (SM) as the Independent Chair of the Stakeholder Group.

#### The Neighbourhood Plan

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SM shared the Terms of Reference for the group and its role in the Neighbourhood Planning Process. She emphasised the importance of a diverse group and thanked all those present for giving up their time to support the preparation of an inclusive and positive Neighbourhood Plan that would shape the future of the town.

Following Introductions by those present, SM outlined the timeline for plan preparation and the key 'take aways' from the Stakeholder Group training which had been delivered by the Technical Advisor (Dave Chetwyn). Sources of background information were shared. The important link between the Community Led Plan, the Housing Needs Survey and the Neighbourhood Plan was also explained.

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#### **Community Consultation Autumn 2023**

The focus of this meeting was on the first Community Consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan. This first round was not a statutory requirement but was good practice. It is focused on enabling the community to have their say on how they would like to see the town grow and develop over the plan period and the issues that the policies should cover.

Through a series of round table and wider discussions, feedback was provided on a draft leaflet which would be distributed to all households and businesses in the area, how to raise awareness of the consultation, where posters could be displayed, a website for the plan, community and professional face to face drop-in sessions and youth sessions.

The outcomes of the discussions were captured on flip charts, post-it notes and through annotations on the draft leaflets. See Appendix 2.

The consultation would start late November and close on 22 December. However it was important to note that this as this round of consultation was not statutory, events and discussions could continue after that date should there be a need.

#### **Next Steps**

SM to revise the draft leaflet in line with the feedback from the group. This would then be sent to the graphic designer and an updated version shared with the Stakeholder Group for further comment. As time was of the essence, it is hoped to issue this early the following week.

Work would continue on the project website, again taking into account the comments of the group.

Draft Posters would also be shared with the group. The Group would provide assistance in displaying them around the town. Assistance was also sought with regard to the provision of consultation 'response boxes' at community venues.

Support was requested from Stakeholder Group members to help facilitate the community drop in sessions.

(Post meeting note – a separate meeting will be held with those who can provide support for these sessions which will be Tuesday  $5^{th}$  December, 10.00 - 12.00 and 15.30 - 19.30 at the Silvester Horne Institute).

Group members agreed to use their contacts to arrange bespoke consultation sessions with local youth groups – this could take place in January if necessary .

#### Next Stakeholder Group Meeting

The date of the next full Stakeholder Group meeting was agreed as **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January. &.00pm – 9.00pm at the Mayfair Centre.** 

A number of smaller group meetings will be arranged in the coming weeks to guide and support the consultation process.

A set of summary notes will be prepared and sent with the slides to members of the Forum.

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## Appendix 2 Group feedback

















