

CLP HOUSING & DEVELOPMENT PROJECT TEAM

15th JANUARY 2019

MINUTES

Our principal objective is that proposals for housing development in the Astons sympathetically accord with the wishes of the villagers as expressed in the Community Led Plan.

Present: Susanna Brunskill, Anna Dillon, Jane Imbush, John Short and Steve White.

Apologies: Nigel Hawkey,

1. Minutes of the last meeting

- a. Accepted.

2. Planning

- a. Low Ham (Upthorpe Farm)
 - i. For discussion by the PC at its meeting on 21st January.
 - ii. The SODC Housing Development Officer now requires the developers to plan for affordable housing, counting all four phases as one application.
 - iii. The Cook Trust believes there is a majority within the Astons in favour of affordable housing (CLP), but there is also a majority against excessive additional development. The two aren't mutually exclusive as those wanting to keep development within SODC's 5-10% growth protocol might want a proportion of what is built to be affordable.
 - iv. The meeting considered that Phase 4 is not within the settlement boundary.
 - v. Advice from consultants has been valuable.
- b. Also for discussion at the forthcoming PC meeting is a proposal from the owners of Ashbrook in The Croft to build a house in their garden. The plot is small, yet the proposed house would be large. In-fills have been rejected over the years.

3. Conservation Area Management Plan and Character Appraisal

- a. AD will apply for listed status for the war memorial. She will investigate any necessary increase in insurance premium.

4. Planning constraints within the Astons

- a. The Environment Groups' tree survey should be ready in May. Otherwise, this project will take longer than originally thought.

5. Oxford-MK-Cambridge Expressway.

- a. Little can be done at the moment, but keep abreast of developments. AD recommended <http://www.Englandseconomicheartland.com>.

6. AOB

- a. None.

7. Date of next meetings

15.00pm on 5th March at The Old Church Barn.