Minutes of a Meeting of Audlem Parish Council Neighbourhood Planning Sub-Committee held in Audlem Public Hall on Tuesday 19th August 2014 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr Jones, Cllr G Seddon, Cllr P Seddon, Cllr Siddorns, Cllr Down.

Also present: Mrs M Hollinshead (member of the public)

18 Apologies for absence: Cllr Johnson, Cllr Christie, Cllr Higham

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Proposed as a true record by Cllr P Seddon and seconded by Cllr Siddorns.

20 Matters Arising

- 20.1 Cllr Jones explained that the Clerk was to write to Cheshire East Council (CEC) about the erroneous information in the Local Plan submission about Audlem's open spaces. (Min 12.1)
- 20.2 Cllr Jones reported that the Parish Plan Group analysed their questionnaire data by hand, rather than using a computer program. (Min 14.2)

21 Update on Application for Designated Neighbourhood Area (NA)

- 21.1 Cllr Jones confirmed that the application to designate the Parish of Audlem as a NA was put out to consultation by CEC on August 11th with a closing date for comments of 24th September. This was on the CEC website, in the Parish Council noticeboard and in the nearest local library. Cllr P Seddon also confirmed that she had placed an article about this on Audlem Online.
- 21.2 Cllr Jones reported that there would be a 'Launch Event' for the nine councils included in the Residents First Neighbourhood Plan (RFNP) at Macclesfield Town Hall on September 2nd between 10.30 and 14.00. This would also be attended by representatives from the Department for Communities and Local Government, Locality, Planning Aid, Connecting Cheshire, Cheshire Community Action and CEC, all of whom would be explaining more about the process. She, Cllrs P and G Seddon would be attending and she encouraged others to attend.

22 Grant Application and Funding Requirements

- 22.1 Cllr Jones reported that she applied for an interim grant of £3,617 from Locality. They would reply within 10 working days as to whether the bid was successful. This money would allow the Steering Committee to be set up and get running.
- 22.2 Cllr Siddorns expressed concern that Cllr Michael Jones had held a meeting with representatives of Audlem Online and told them that £25,000 was available for Audlem to use for a RFNP. Why had this been been said to an unelected body and why had the Parish Council, as elected representatives, not been given the same information. Cllr Jones stated that she and Cllr G Seddon were seeing Cllr Michael Jones in two days' time and that they would raise this issue with him.

22.3 Cllr Siddorns queried the RFNP process about Site Allocations and what say the Steering Committee will have in the final decision. Cllr G Seddon stated that, as explained previously, CEC will make the final decision.

23 Consultation Exercises

- 23.1 Cllr P Seddon gave a resumé of the stall under the Buttermarket on 16th August. Cllr Jones thanked those who attended (Cllrs G Seddon, P Seddon Johnson, Higham and Siddorns). Cllr G Seddon stated that the learning experience was that we need to be more proactive, rather than wait for residents to come to the stall. The next one on August 30th will take place earlier, due to there being a wedding at 12 noon.
- 23.2 Cllr P Seddon stated that 15 people had now registered an interest in helping or making comments. Not all of these people look as though they want to go on the Steering Committee. Online forms were now more easily reached with a modification made by Audlem Online.
- 23.3 Cllr P Seddon reported that the flyers for had been produced by Audlem Printers. Also the Second NP Newsletter had been partly distributed by a private company, despite them stating that they would deliver all of them. Councillors volunteered to deliver the remainder.
- 23.4 It was agreed that the banner, which is 3m x 1m would be redesigned with, if possible, the simplified Buttermarket logo and the 'watermark' of the village centre included. Cllr P Seddon agreed to liaise with Cllr Higham.
- 23.5 Cllr Jones volunteered to get in touch with the Scouts and Guides to get them involved in the NP process. The summer competition for young people was advertised on the website and with posters.
- 23.6 Cllr Jones stated that she would draft a letter to send out to the volunteers. It was also agreed that a meeting would be held with all the volunteers in September.

24 Correspondence Received from CEC

Cllr Jones reported that Cllr Michael Jones had requested a meeting on 21st August and that she and Cllr G Seddon would attend.

25 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 26th August 2014, in the Public Hall Committee Room at 7.00 pm. The terms of reference for the Steering Group and Prizes for summer competition are to be included on the Agenda.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm