



Update on progress with Neighbourhood Plan (NP): Newsletter 1, June 2014

Again, thank you all for attending the Information Evening on Thursday 24th April. We received good coverage of the event in The Purbeck Gazette, June issue.

Amanda Crocker, our Parish Clerk, has already e-mailed a bullet-pointed summary (on two sides of A4) of some of the issues that were raised to all those who registered at the NP Information Evening. These should also be appearing on the Parish Council noticeboards. The summary is not an exhaustive list and there will be further opportunities for you to add other areas for discussion at various times throughout the NP process.

The Steering Group (SG), comprising all the chairs of various working groups, meets regularly and our next meeting is on 23rd June. We are currently preparing the first draft of questions for inclusion in our survey, due to be with all residents in September. Thanks to Robert Kenward for all his help in advising us on this process.

Don Hunter, Caroline Macleod and I met with Keith Childs, Planning Officer, and two of his colleagues at Westport House, Purbeck District Council (PDC), on Monday 9th June to discuss the support that PDC can give the process. He outlined a possible Service Level Agreement (SLA) that we will discuss at our SG meeting on 23rd June. He also again outlined the various funding arrangements that we will need to take advantage of as soon as possible. He has not yet been able to scrutinise our implementation plan, which details the process and timescale for achieving our NP but we are confident of its strength.

Provisional important dates (subject to change):

Distribution of survey: early September 2014

Further meeting with Arne community to discuss progress: October/November 2014

Finalising draft plan: March/April 2015

Final meeting with Arne community to agree final draft version of NP: June 2015

Referendum date: March 2016

We intend to keep all residents informed every step of the way and I hope that you agree that an occasional e-mailed newsletter (reproduced on the website) is a good way to do this.

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