

# THRUSSINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

## WORKING PARTY NOTES

MEETING 10.30 Sun. 28<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2016

Present:

Louise Newcombe    Patrick Rendall    Nich Stanyard

Mark Thistlethwaite    Suzan Rubins

Apologies:

Tom Prior                      Nigel Hainsworth

Circulation: Above, Parish Councillors, Parish Clerk, Borough Councillor (J Poland)

### 1. Report from Parish Council

The committee has agreed, reluctantly, to reconvene as a working party on the advice of the PC. As a working party can only make recommendations for decision by the PC (rather than its own decisions) it hopes that double handling of issues is kept at a minimum due to the time already invested by personnel on the working party. It was stated that the working group would work as much as possible like a sub-committee and, if required, recommend that they become a sub-committee later in the process.

*It was noted with thanks the amount of time people have given up with two meetings with the RCC, Charnwood, Hobby meeting, liaison with Rearsby, Your Locale, Thurcaston and Cropston).*

### 2. Statement of interest

Statement of interest accepted by PC, signed by the Parish Clerk, and posted to Charnwood. MT to confirm.

Working Party has thanked Archie R. for his work on logo's etc. and have asked if he can attempt a picture of bridge and church with more emphasis on the church. SR

### 3. Funding

Sources of possible funding include the following:

Locality                      Awards for all                      Groundworks                      Parish Council

Locality appear to provide initial funding in up to three tranches, six month to use money each time, need schedule etc., and the other two sites provide extra top up cash. It is hoped that PC precept is kept to a minimum. The only foreseeable costs from Parish at present appear to be the hire of the village hall. To be discussed with Bev Kearns. PR

Simple draft budget has been produced for comment and will be circulated. MT  
See below for how we recommend we move forward on funding.

#### **4. Consultants**

After discussions it was thought that RCC were perhaps not the best group to use as a consultative team as they did not come across particularly well at either the Hobby meeting, or, meetings with PR and SR.

Your Locale, who helped Thurcaston and Cropston amongst others, have had excellent reports. They worked with RCC at Thurcaston and Cropston as detailed in the section below. They are also local.

BPUD have sent a very detailed quote and appear very professional and relatively cheap. Quote to be reviewed in detail. SR

PlanetX could be available for another quote if it is felt one is required.

The group recommend that Your Locale and BPUD should be the prime contenders as full consultants for the NP. Both to be approached to give a detailed presentation so that the working group can recommend a particular consultant to the PC. Aim to have presentations prior to the new financial year. SR

Therefore it is intended to start selection process for consultants. It is recommended that any interested members of the PC are also invited to attend presentations. MT

It was stated that it would be sensible for the chosen consultants to produce the forms for funding applications for the PC to approve and sign.

#### **5. Project plan**

Drafts produced earlier. No further work to be carried out until after discussions with preferred consultant. Note: Copy to be sent to Charnwood when produced.

#### **6. Local stakeholders**

NH has produced a list. To be circulated for review and possible additions. MT

#### **7. Hobby and Rotherby Open meeting**

Notes produced and circulated previously. Hobby used an open meeting to ask for people to produce a committee but have already had area designated. Important to keep an interest.

LN has liaised with Rearsby and we have been invited to their next meeting, 25<sup>th</sup> March (TBA). LN

#### **8. Note for Thrussington Life**

Advertisement for neighbourhood plan has been printed in March edition of Thrussington Life.

## **9. Review of Thurcaston and Cropston plan (and others)**

Thurcaston and Cropston used RCC and Your Locale. Started in 2014 and completed December 2015 when their plan was put up for formal consultation  
Total cost was £20K. RCC cost £6300 (£8k applied for) for meetings surveys etc. and Your Locale provided specialist consultants, cost £14K (applied for £10K received £9975), shortfall was filled with grant from Groundworks. Cost to PC was zero apart from some minor costs. Your Locale overlapped work with RCC so total cost could have been reduced. T and C were happy with both sets of consultants.

## **10. Outstanding actions**

All members have produced new mail addresses.

Meetings to be held at the Village Hall when possible.

It is thought that these meetings are closed to the public if we remain a working group, must be open if a sub-committee.

Map of adjoining Parishes received.

Map of Parish with thin borders received.

Investigate LRALC. Not required.

Ask Helen Chadwick if she is aware of other consultants. No.

Seagrave appeal noted – remain aware of possibility of appeal process overturning plans both at local and borough level.

## **11. Any other business**

Terms of reference to be produced for review. LN

**NEXT MEETING:** Consultation period should be over by 10<sup>th</sup> April. It is recommended that we have consultants in place and funding application started prior to this date. To this end it would be useful to have recommendations for consultants ready for approval for the PC for their next meeting, 15<sup>th</sup> March. Therefore consultants to be asked if they are available for 13<sup>th</sup> March. SR

10.30 SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2016 AT THE VILLAGE HALL (TBC prior to booking Hall)

M Thistlethwaite 28.02.2016

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