

NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OAKHAM AND BARLEYTHORPE
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

held on 10th. February, 20129 at the Victoria Hall at 5.00 p.m..

Present: Christopher Clark (CC) (chair), John Nowell (JN), David Salkeld (DS), Adam Lowe (AL), Janet Hughes (JH), Nick Taylor (NT), Paul Dowse (PD), Chris Marsland (CM), Paul Buxton (PB) and Michael Hinman (MH) (minutes).

In Attendance: Simone Landucci and John Bayes (Openplan).

Minutes

Minutes for the meeting held on 7th. January were held over for consideration at the next meeting. Minutes of the meeting held on 7th. February with town councillors were agreed to be correct. PD explained to AL that, whilst they included comments made by councillors, the minutes were now in the public domain because they would appear on the Steering Group's website.

Feedback on 7th. February Meeting with Town Councillors

It was agreed that the councillors' comments should be taken into account. CC had had many of Cllr. Joy Clough's extensive corrections incorporated into the Plan. Councillors would have the opportunity to comment on the draft plan again once the Regulation 14 Consultation period had been triggered and discuss it again with the Steering Group. However, it was for the Steering Group to decide when the formal consultation of Plan should start. CC had circulated a template for Group members to add comments about the Plan besides what was about to be agreed at this meeting; comments should be sent to CC who would liaise with Open Plan.

Liaison with Rutland County Council

SL explained that, after incorporating Oakham Town Council Councillors' comments into the draft, the plan would be sent to RCC planners for their observations. CC had also spoken to county councillor Gordon Brown, one of the RCC Neighbourhood Plan Champions about the Plan to let him know where we were in the process. Ron Simpson is the other Neighbourhood Plan Champion. CC would arrange for the Steering Group to meet Roger Ransom of RCC.

Correction of Draft Plan

CC and SL led all present through the current text in order to correct typography and style, and to undertake correction of facts. In addition, PD undertook to address substantive alterations in the light of Joy Clough's criticisms, MH would make the historical background section more succinct and CC would change the employment section so that it would mention other employers besides Oakham School and would liaise with Open Plan. Open Plan would compile a glossary. CC said that document control was vital at this time and individuals were encouraged to archive any copies of 'past' plans to avoid duplication problems in the future. At the close it was agreed that members should pass any changes they wish to be considered to CC so that only one draft was in use.