

MALTON AND NORTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

OPEN MEETING

Minutes of the open meeting held on 28th April 2016
St Peter's Church House, Norton, at 6:30pm.

Present:

Malton Town Council: Councillors Denys Townsend, Paul Emberley, Joan Lawrence, Paul Andrews
Clerks Mr Mike Skehan, Ms Jude Ward

Norton Town Council: Councillors Ray King, Antony Croser, Hugh Spencer, Ann Spencer
Clerks Mrs Rosalind Tierney, Mr Tim Hicks

Ryedale District Council: Mrs Jill Thompson

Consultant: Kathryn Jukes

Community Members: David Marshall, Adrian Green, Robert Beal, Roddy Bushell, Aidie Denney, Ben Stone, Nick Fletcher, Paul Beanland, Angela Gair, David Barnett, Sid Taylor, Ian Conlan, Tom Pinder, Sheila Miller, Jean Illingworth, Graham Flint, Miranda Vasey

030. (04/16) **INTRODUCTION COUNCILLOR PAUL EMBERLEY**

Councillor Paul Emberley welcomed everyone to the meeting. He confirmed that the Chairman of the Steering Group, David Lloyd-Williams would not be with us this evening. Councillor Emberley introduced some key individuals in the room including Councillors Joan Lawrence and Ray King, Mayors of Malton and Norton respectively, other councillors and clerks. Councillor Emberley then split individuals into the four focus group areas, from the already designated list, and then introduced Kathryn Jukes.

031. (04/16) **CONSULTANT, KATHRYN JUKES, DIRECTIONS PLANNING**

Kathryn gave an overview of Neighbourhood Planning in general, then going into more detail of what would be required of the focus groups. The groups would need to identify the local issues and the needs, in planning terms, backed up by evidence from the community. At the end of this process the draft plan to be presented to public arena for consultation in around 6 months. At the close of this section Kathryn took some questions from the floor.

032. (04/16) **FOCUS GROUPS**

Each focus group then had a 20 minute session to have an initial discussion based on their area of focus. A spokesman for each group then shared their findings with the room. Salient points that arose from these discussions were **Environment**; public rights of way, the riverbank, public open space in developments, improvements to cycle ways and walkways, **Heritage**;

spotlight on the town's Roman Heritage, note buildings not listed but of significant importance in the conservation areas, horse racing industry and heritage, modern food legacy tied in with the brewing history, **Community & Leisure**; open spaces for public use, public facilities especially for older children for example areas to play football etc, **Forward Planning**; infrastructure issues and particularly traffic and the transport network should be top priority, impact of the proposed housing growth not only on traffic/transport but also on other aspects such as health services and education needs, concerns at the imbalance in the location of retail and services in the community, these need to extend into Norton to reduce the need for all the community to access Malton, mobility in and around the community, it is suggested improvements to the potential for walk and ride to reduce the reliance upon the car for internal movement.

033. (04/16) **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 26th May, 2016 at 6:30pm. Forward Planning and Community & Leisure to meet at Community House, Wentworth Street, Malton. Heritage and Environment to meet at Norton Council Chamber, Commercial Street, Norton.

(Meeting closed at 8.30pm)

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