

Consett Area Neighbourhood Forum – Management Committee

7pm, 8 April 2024

Location: Zoom Meeting

MC members present:

- Christine Thomas – Chair
- Mike Shiels – Secretary
- Anne Louise Grant – Treasurer
- Lucy Reed – Data Protection Officer
- John Million – MC member
- Mark Russell – MC member
- Maureen Clyne – MC member
- Richard Lumley – MC member

Apologies:

- Kelli Turner – MC member
- Niamh McDonald – MC member

Agenda

1. Green Spaces
2. Draft Neighbourhood Plan review
3. Preparation for Forum Meeting (14 April)
4. Financial update

Minutes

1. Green Spaces

Meeting was held on 3 April 2024 to do initial assessment of green spaces. All written up and sent to Jo-Anne Garrick.

Action Lucy: check for any areas with previous planning application (even if turned down)

Action Christine: check with Jo-Anne how far back we need to go with planning applications?

Next stage is heritage sites.

2. Draft Neighbourhood Plan review

The committee reviewed the draft Neighbourhood Plan consultation document, to be used at the next Forum meeting.

Action Christine: send link to draft document to MC members for review

Action All MC members: enter comments against draft document (do not re-write please!)

Mike is happy to check and correct formatting, if required.

Action Christine: send tidied-up draft document to Forum members ahead of the meeting, so people can pre-read if they wish.

3. Preparation for Forum meeting

Meeting Sunday 14 April at Delves Lane Village Hall, 2 – 4pm.

We have access from 1pm, so MC members can arrive early to help prepare/lay out the hall.

We need to:

- Agree list of Yes/No question – for voting
- Prepare sheets with topic headings for people to stick up / write their ideas

Christine has large paper sheet, Post it notes, pens, Sellotape, etc.

4. Financial Update

Grant ended at end of March. Final submission made. Returned £176 unspent.

Design codes was not funded, but can apply again later, when plan is more developed.

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 22 April, 7pm, on Zoom.

It was agreed to meeting fortnightly, to increase the pace. Meetings need not be in person every time, as online is easier logistically.