

HBO Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee
Report to the Parish Council
5th March 2025

There has been one meeting of the NP Steering Committee since the last report to the Council, held on the 13th of February. The minutes of the meeting are available on the Council's website.

A Working Group meeting is scheduled to be held on the 13th of March.

Since our last report there have been several developments with regards to the professional consultants working on our behalf:

The Design Guidance and Code has now been signed off by Locality and a couple of minor amendments made. The final version will be with us very soon.

We have now received a draft of our Landscape Character Assessment. This will now be checked for accuracy and then returned to Wynne-Williams for any necessary amending. Following that we will arrange a Teams meeting with the Consultants to discuss landscape capacity and policy for inclusion in our Plan.

Land Use Consultants Limited (LUC) are proceeding with the assessment of the potential development sites and should be issuing a first draft of their report quite soon. We have discussed the possibility of finding Rural Exception Sites for social housing and have arranged a meeting with the RCCE and a Housing Association later in the month. The outcome of that meeting will be forwarded to LUC for inclusion in their report.

All of these reports will be available on the Council's own NP website and our own website as soon as it is up and running.

We now have a dedicated website domain and have started populating it with information, surveys, maps, photographs etc that we have gathered over the past 12 months. We will notify the residents once it goes live, which should be in the next couple of weeks.

Alan Fisher
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