KINGTON AREA NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING GROUP

Consisting of the Parish and Town Councils

Kington Town Council Kington Rural and Lower Harpton Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting held on 24th November 2014 in Markwick Hall, Kington

Present: M. Fitton (Chair)

J. Jones, E.Rolls (Kington Rural)

R. Bradbury, R. Cotterill, (Kington Town)

- 1. Apologies for absence: M. Lloyd, C. Kibblewhite, S. Williams, R. Widdowson
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th October 2014 Agreed as correct
- 3. Matters arising from the Minutes: agreed all covered by agenda.

4. Work with consultants

Clare Rawlings: reported that MF and RB had met her to provide her with information about the work done to date. She will produce notes on further work and will arrange to come to a meeting with the Group.

Lewis Goldwater: contract to work for 40 hours before December 31st. He has begun to map known green spaces, designated sites, woodlands etc. Will visit all areas within the Neighbourhood area, produce maps. He has access to specialist software that provides information about landscape, land use etc.

It was **agreed** that as there was money remaining from the grant both consultants could be asked to work more hours before 31/12/14 if they are able to.

5. Huntington questionnaire.

MF reported that there had been a 65% response rate. Results are being collated and a report will be provided for the Group.

6. Questionnaire for Kington Rural & Lower Harpton

JJ and ER reported that work on draft is progressing.

Discussion about several sites, Hergest Camp and possible business development, problems of road capacity; consider lorry park with facilities, solar panel array.; difficulty of pedestrian access from Kington.

Survey Monkey will be used as in Huntington.

Agreed that it will probably need to be posted to residents: stamps to be purchased now. Need to consider how to get completed questionnaire returned; possibly contact some key individuals in various locations.

7. Drop-in event, 27-29 November in Market Hall.

MF reported arrangements for large-scale maps, information on wall panels, invite people to indicate choice of housing sites etc. Refreshments, some heaters, publicity banners all ordered. Open all day; on Friday will coincide with market, so need to

organise space on Saturday with apple pressing. Rota of helpers to be produced so that somebody from Group and/or Councils will be there throughout.

8. Expenditure to date.

MF reported that there might be money unspent from the grant at 31/12 Accounts to be produced for next meeting.

9. Programme of work for 2015.

Need to discuss with Clare Rawlings on priorities.

10. Date of next meeting: Tuesday, 16th December 2014 at 7.30pm in Markwick Hall, Kington. .