Mylor Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan

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Progress update from the Steering Group Chairman

Mylor, your Parish, your plan

Steering Group Activity

At the public meeting held in the Ord-Statter Pavilion on 27th July the first members of the Steering Group who will lead the development of the Mylor Parish NDP were elected. They were; myself Steve Solomon as Chairman, Michael Brougham as Project Lead and Pat Willmore as Administrator and Finance Controller. At the meeting I promised to keep you updated on progress, in particular the next phase of the formation of the steering group.



Since then we have met a number of times to; draft Terms of Reference for the group, to develop a first view on Steering Group roles, to formulate the procedure for the election of our Steering Group leads and to meet with Mark James the Cornwall Council NDP team leader for our area to gain a better understanding of the task. Mark is also Chairman of the regular meetings of our Falmouth Community Network Area (CNA) NDP groups, which comprise nine parishes in our area, to review and share the varying degrees of progress with their plans. Michael, Pat and I attended the most recent meeting and it was most useful learn from their experience.

They all reported that formation of their Steering Groups was a challenging task in that, whilst many parishioners were willing to provide support for working groups, far fewer were willing to lead them. Because of this I thought it might help to briefly outline the expectations we have for Steering Group leaders. Firstly we do not expect or wish for the task to be drawn out any longer than is needed to submit a good plan for review. Some parishes have taken several years to do so and it is no surprise that enthusiasm and support waned. We believe that we can complete the bulk of the work to develop our plan in around eighteen months, after which the independent inspection process and referendum is largely the responsibility of Cornwall Council.

Secondly, we have already received a number of skills forms from you, for which we are very grateful and they show a wide range of talented individuals who are willing to be members of working groups. Steering group leads will therefore have plenty of support to develop their topics.

Thirdly, not all the tasks will necessarily run for the whole period of plan development Once sufficient information is gathered, and where necessary has been offered to parishioners for consultation, that group may run down their activity whilst the plan is authored.

At our next public meeting, which is on the 12th September in the Tremayne Hall Mylor, we will give a detailed review of our progress so far and also seek to elect our Steering Group leaders. If you are interested in becoming a "lead" please do come along on the night. We will ask that you give a very short informal resume of your background and we will then do the formal election by a show of hands. If you are unable to attend and wish to be considered as a "lead" please let Pat know and one of us will read your resume on your behalf.

The seven topics we have collated as a proposal and for which we seek leads are:

PR, COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY

ENVIRONMENT NATURAL AND HISTORIC, RENEWABLE ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE.

HOUSING AND QUALITY OF DESIGN
GETTING AROUND, TRANSPORT AND ACCESSIBILITY

BUSINESS, ECONOMY, EMPLOYMENT AND MARINE INFRASTRUCTURE

COMMUNITY FACILITIES, RETAIL, HEALTH & WELLBEING, CULTURAL & LEISURE, GREEN SPACES

EDUCATION AND SKILLS - SCHOOLS, COLLEGE ACCESS ADULT LEARNING CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

We really do appreciate the interest that you have shown so far and are hopeful that there will be enough of you who are ready to step up to the plate to fill the seven lead roles we have identified. We look forward to seeing you on the 12th.

Regards

Steve

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