

Meeting Main Road Residents 12th November 2014

The NDP committee met at The Rising Sun at 19.30hrs to meet residents from the Main Road.

Committee members present:

Kevin Watson
Ian Bell
Alison Cross
Mike Lawrence
Jo Lawrence
Neil Chambers
Colin Reed

The meeting was well-attended with 29 residents from the Main Road. Kevin invited questions to encourage informality and debate before giving an overview of the Neighbourhood Development Plan process.

Ian explained the rationale behind specifically inviting residents from the Main Road, which came about from responses obtained from the questionnaire. The combined areas along the Main Road contributed to the highest weighted results after Lye Common. He explained that the villagers wanted starter homes and bungalows in small developments whilst retaining views and open spaces.

In discussion, it was generally agreed by those present that they supported linear rather than depth development and that string development along the Main Road might be a positive thing especially as some of the redundant farm buildings were an eye sore.

Kevin asked for a show of hands for the areas they thought appropriate for development:

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| Main Road West: | North side | - 13 |
| | South side | - 14 |
| Main Road East: | North side | - 7 |
| | South side | - 13 |
| Both sides | | - 4 |

Should redundant buildings be developed? 20 voted yes.

The meeting with Main Road residents was closed. Kevin will give them feedback in the New Year.

21hrs, committee reconvened to discuss the proposed plan for Lye Common.

John Web and land owner informed the committee they had put in for outline planning permission to build 5 detached houses on Lye Common. Kevin asked if they would consider putting bungalows or semi-detached buildings on the plot as an alternative to detached houses in line with what the village have stated their preference. John Webb pointed out that a detached house at the entrance of the village would be aesthetically appropriate. The land owner informed the committee he wanted to live in one of the houses on condition it was detached. He said he would be prepared to let the other 3 plots be semi-detached.

Kevin will discuss the matter with Parish Council.

Tasks for the committee:

Iain Le Duc - to organise the farmers for a meeting in December.

All to send in draft proposals by end Nov.

Mike to collate the information into a document prior to discussion.