

Newton Flotman Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 20th November 2023 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Paul Weeks (Chairman) Chrissy Leigh

Martin Brooks (Vice Chairman) Joel Fiddy
Drew Broad Sharon Poyser

	Action
1. To consider apologies for absence.	
Apologies were received from Ann Segans, Bob McKlbbin,	
Carol Watson, Virginia Weeks.	
PW reported that Tina Bell has had to resign from the group	
for personal reasons.	
 To approve and confirm minutes of the meeting held on 16th October 2023 	
The minutes were agreed as a true record of proceedings	
with no amendment.	
3. Matters arising from the previous minutes:	
 a) Terms of reference for the steering group. 	Agendas to be put on
The terms of reference were approved by the meeting. PW	noticeboards and the
pointed out that under point 6.3 of the terms of reference	Facebook village group
the meetings would be open to the public. Agendas will be	page. Agendas and
put on the noticeboards and Facebook village group page and	minutes to be placed on
they and the minutes will be placed in an especially created	the Newton Flotman
section of the Newton Flotman Parish Council website.	Parish Council website
b) Wikipedia entry for Newton Flotman	
PW reported that he was working on revisions to the	
Wikipedia page about Newton Flotman	
c) Proposal from Rachel Leggett @ associates	
The proposal from Rachel Leggett @ associates was	
approved by the meeting.	
d) Dates when committee members are not	PW to send RL list of
available for a workshop with Rachel	members names and
Leggett @ associates in January	email addresses.
PW confirmed that all the members of the steering group	
were happy for their names and email addresses to be	
passed to RL.	

PW informed the meeting that RL will be in contact with the	
steering group to arrange dates for two meetings:	
Inception	
One day workshop.	
Steering group members had given some indication when	
they would be available for the workshop.	
e) Milestones for the project	
PW reported to the meeting the following deadlines which	
had been provided by RL in their proposal.	
a. Develop vision and objectives – January	
2024	
b. Develop draft policies – April to	
September 2024	
c. Regulation 14 – pre submission	
consultation – December 2024	
d. Submit to District Council – December	
2024	
f) Funding application to South Norfolk	PW, MB, DB and RL to
District Council and Locality	meet with representatives
PW and MB had produced applications for South Norfolk	of AECOM.
District Council for £6k and Locality for £6840.00. The SNDC	
application was subject to minor modifications through	
correspondence with SNDC. The Locality application has also	
been subject to minor modification to the budget figures.	
Arising from the Locality application the steering group	
members have been invited to a meeting with AECOM as we	
want to create Design Codes in the neighbourhood plan. RL	
will attend the meeting along with PW, MB and DB which will	
discuss the aims and ambitions of the steering group.	
4. Presentation from Richard Squires, Senior Community	
Planning Officer, South Norfolk District Council on the	
Neighbourhood Planning Process	
PW welcomed Richard Squires and Vicky West to the	
meeting.	
Richard gave a presentation (see separate slides) on the	
neighbourhood planning process and provided some	
examples of aspects of neighbourhood plans which might be	
useful for us.	
5. Q and A session with Richard Squires and Vicky West	
The presentation was followed by a general discussion on the	
process and generally on the impact of the new Levelling Up	
bill on neighbourhood planning.	
Richard recommended that the steering group have a copy of	
the Locality Neighbour Plans Roadmap to hand.	

Richard and Vicky stated that they were available to speak to	
us at any time throughout the process and, particularly to	
read draft policies as we go through the process.	
6. Date of the next meeting:	
Inception meeting - TBA	
One day workshop - TBA	