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THIRD MEETING OF GROUP 3 P. D. P.

HELD AT ELMSBROOK ON THURSDAY 20TH MARCH 2014

Persons present. Brian Cross , Mavis Jeffery, Chris Swain
(Councillor Ralf Dahm was attending a P.C.M.)

AGENDA 1. THE REPORTS FOR COUNCIL

Mavis opened the meeting by handing out the 3 reports written up from the answers to the questionnaire, and the subsequent discussion arising. Chris asked that they were not prepared for council until after next week's meeting when the three would have had ample time to go through them thoroughly. Final comments/corrections will be made next week after which they will be prepared for the Council meeting on April 1st.

Points brought up:-

1. VILLAGE CHARACTER. No "s" on Yeoman Cottage.
2. ALLOCATION OF LAND. The area of land behind Bears' Hollow was discussed again. Chris had contacted the land agent and it was no longer for sale, Mavis had discovered that it was 3 acres not 1 acre as assumed, and £30,000 had been the asking price. This area is landlocked agricultural land, only accessible by footpath. We still felt that it was a good place to create woodland, and the project must be pursued at some time. The owner now lives many miles away, it is believed in Buckinghamshire. He will have to be consulted about the insecure stiles, and, as Council can allocate land for specific purposes, the possibility of it ever becoming building land is very remote.
3. HOUSING: PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE. It was asked that names of owners put in to help the group identify places are removed before the reports are presented to council. We looked closely at the areas suggested and, although the Arnesby Lane area is on the edge of the Parish, the easy access to Fleckney shops and fairly safe roads made it a sensible choice for affordable housing. It is exactly one mile from the road junction to the butcher's shop in the centre of Fleckney. The other three roads in the Parish are all too dangerous for walking cycling etc. The Saddington Road carries a lot of heavy lorries to the Fleckney Industrial Estate, The Bath Lane carries car transporters 7.00am to 7.00pm, as well as other large trucks and traffic to Bruntingthorpe Airfield. (eg Jasmine Roadways have a base there, and there are car auctions twice a week). The A5199, Welford to Leicester Road, feeds the other two lanes.

AGENDA 2. INDUSTRY WITHIN THE VILLAGE.

Brian had done quite a lot of investigation, visiting Houghtons, the Bath Hotel and the Fleckney Industrial Estate. We discussed the points he raised, the businesses already on the Saddington Road and the businesses operating within the village, and our findings will be written up in a report for next week's meeting.

The Meeting closed at 9.00pm.

The next meeting will be at The Mount on Tuesday March 25th at 7.30 pm.

M.J. 22.03.2014