

NP ENVIRONMENTAL SUBGROUP MEETING NOTES (180924)

24 September 2018

Present: PH (Chair), LB, LH, DH

Item	Content	Action
1	It was noted that the Subgroup was committed to ensuring equality for all people, and requested that subgroup members pay attention to all items on the agenda to ensure that no decisions would be made which have any negative impacts for equality, diversity or inclusivity	All
2	Minutes of meeting 180827 were approved as correct and signed-off. Agreed that all signed-off minutes to be sent to NP Steering Group (Chair and Secretary; already done for that meeting).	DH
3	Matters arising from last meeting 180827 (previous agenda items in parentheses): (4) Village walk: completed see agenda below (5) Comments re the main NP Minutes – Jan Chandler had commented/edited the Crib Sheet draft. Confirmed that this will be available on the day for the NP group people. (6) Transects: see agenda item 9 below	
4	Village Walk: This has been completed and reported to the NP and should appear in the Oct issue of the Parish Magazine. Special thanks to LB and LH for organising this so effectively, PH for leading the walk and to all concerned for attending. DH will send message to Joe Stebbing to thank him for his contribution.	DH
5	Parish online: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have bought the map (sent to Enviro Group) and have links to data resources. PH will mark the boundaries of 4 wildlife sites and distribute. Location of significant/heritage trees etc. LH will scan the map and send round the log-in details 	PH PH LH
6	Layers of Environmental Information we need to capture: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water courses Areas of flooding (3 types) Ponds and lakes Vegetation areas (woods, copses, important standing trees, trees with TPOs, significant/veteran trees etc) Hedges: sufficient to insert extracts from the Hedge Survey report – we decided that mapping the hedges would be unnecessary because the images would be very “cluttered” Green lanes (include continuation of Cross St for example) Drinkstone Park: the lake only and house which are within the curtilage of the parish. County Wildlife sites: (see 5 above) four of these have been designated by a panel consisting of reps from Suffolk Wildlife Trust, Natural England, Suffolk Biological Information Service and Suffolk County Council using nationally agreed scientific criteria. These have been marked up on the map supplied by PH. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allotments, Cricket, Churchyard and Village Hall need to be identified and should be part of the NP report/application content – not as features in the Env Group docs. Footpaths – these are on the A3 map. This can be reproduced and/or list of footpath numbers. 	ALL
7	<p>Landscape Character Assessment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PH will determine the level of detail required to avoid undergoing in-depth analyses that might not be required and therefore have little impact in the final NP documents. 	PH
8	<p>History/historical buildings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Localities remit should be more than just a consideration of the build form(s) but should also mention some interesting and specific items – use the 2 published books on Drinkstone as the resources for this. History Group: should be encouraged to contribute to this area – LB to contact them (Giles Youngs has info) for resources. Proposal that the History Group should be copied in and respond to particular items of relevance for the NP group. LB to contact them to get agreement for this. PH will report these items to the NP group meeting Sheila Beswick had agreed to retrieve some items from the Village Archive resources. LH to check on progress 	LB LB PH LH
9	<p>Transects on Parish Map:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A N/S transect was illustrated by PH and (fortuitously and serendipitously) this included nearly all the important locations in village including the wildlife sites, church, village hall, important buildings, important roads and possibly some Roman locations. Two versions were discussed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A “slice” of about 100-200m wide (width to be agreed) to be taken from the map and reproduced on a separate page with annotations to the right and left highlighting the features. This was deemed to be very effective and would allow easy interpretation of all the marked features, rather than the “traditional” contoured profile (not easily understood by general public). Conventional transect profile with contours marked: apart from the concerns mentioned above, the village is not exactly hilly and the transect will look rather “dull”. Possibility of adding another transect in the W/E orientation was discussed – to be agreed. PH will report our ideas about the two types of transects at the next NP group meeting In the meantime, we will discuss and share drafts of transect ideas between us 	PH ALL
10	AOB: Nothing to report	
11	Next Subgroup Meeting Mon 22 October at 10:30 at PH domicile	