

Clifford Chambers & Milcote Neighbourhood Plan Report for the Parish Assembly – 9th March 2017

When the Neighbourhood Plan Group last reported to the Parish Assembly on 3rd March 2016, it was in the process of running a series of Community Open Forum Meetings the objective of which was to advise the community of the Steering Group's objectives and timings as well as gaining their views on areas of interest to do with the parish. There were three such meetings in February/March, after which the input from the 67 members of the community who provided their views was collated and a summary report published in May 2016 which can be found on the Neighbourhood Plan website.

From this input, the Neighbourhood Plan Group commenced preparing a Questionnaire to go to all residents and businesses in the parish. Arriving at a form of Questionnaire acceptable to the Neighbourhood Plan Group and the Parish Council, which also met the advice provided by Stratford District Council has proven to be a time consuming and often difficult journey. However, we now believe we have a Questionnaire that is ready for issue.

As a result of the delays in getting the form of the Questionnaire approved, the programme for establishing a Neighbourhood Plan has slipped by some eight months from that originally planned (December 2017), and is not now expected until August 2018.

The Neighbourhood Plan Group has solicited offers of development sites from landowners in the parish and a number of expressions of interest and proposals have been received and these will be evaluated in conjunction with the input from residents and businesses in the parish.

The Neighbourhood Plan Group anticipates distributing the Questionnaire this month and are requesting completion by the recipients before the end of April 2017.

The analysis of the responses will be carried out by SDC on behalf of the Parish Council and we are currently making a funding application to cover that and other activities of the Neighbourhood Plan up to March 2018.