

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Report to the Sheepy Parish Council meeting – Tuesday, 1st December 2020

PROGRESS

- Draft of revised Neighbourhood Plan produced which includes all agreed changes, completed by our consultant, and now being reviewed by the Steering Group. Some further updates and additional maps still being worked on as changes in the mapping software have slowed progress.
- A 'time out' has resulted in a revised approach for Design Code development which will provide increased value both to Parishioners and Planners and the Parish Council when submitting and assessing planning applications
 - Design code for Sibson being reworked into this new format
 - Design codes for the rest of the Parish under development with our consultant and SG
- This will mean that the project will now extend into next fiscal, target completion May/June
 - HBBC Planning Policy have confirmed that they can support our timescales and wishes regarding choice of examiner
- Finance
 - On track as per approved Locality grant and PC funding
 - As the project will run into next fiscal year, some funding may be required next fiscal

NEXT STEPS

- Complete reviews and updates to finalise Pre-Submission version of the new plan
- Work to finalise all the Design Codes

APPROVAL REQUIRED @ December Parish Council meeting

- Gain approval by the PC for of the revised timescales in order to proceed to Pre-Submission consultation, targeting end February
- Agreement to consider and, in principle include funds in the PC's 2021/22 budget for the completion of the project, subject to any additional grants being explored first.

John Ward, Mick Toogood 26th November 2020