

Great Gonerby Neighbourhood Plan Meeting 13th March 2025

Meeting Report

14th March 2025

Last night saw a lively Meeting – **Economic / Education / Recreation – Session 2** for each discipline.

Thank you to all of those who were able to attend. Whilst reviewing the suggestions from the 1st Sessions, still many more creative ideas were suggested, significantly building the documents ready for our Consultant Review. All suggestions will be included in the dossier.

At the start of the Meeting, 7 of the Parish Councillors who attended introduced themselves to the Group: Chair - Tim Bridle; Vice Chair - Ginny Beckett; Members - Mike Davis, Tiffany Davis, Mike Beckett, Karri Davey, Alan Davey. The Councillors are anxious for the Parishioners to know their faces and who to approach if there is any Parish-related issue they need to discuss. Please do feel free to raise any issue. Contact details are on the Parish Council webpage: [Homepage – Great Gonerby Parish Council](#), sic: “For all enquiries regarding the Parish, the Parish Council, the cemeteries and this website, please contact the Clerk: clerk@greatgonerbyparish.gov.uk; Ms Caroline Marion; Tel.: 07890 163707”. Please do also send notice of any Village Events or Parish Information to the Clerk for inclusion in the webpage Parish Information listings. This is a newly developed web page, so any useful information for posting would be appreciated.

Mike Davis and Tim further explained to the Group the relevance of having a Neighbourhood Plan, emphasising that, once validated, it will be a legally acknowledged document that can be applied to negotiations regarding the future of the Parish. Although it is a very bureaucratic and demanding process towards finalisation, it is understood that it will be worthwhile for the better being of the Parish. Chair, Tim Bridle, is taking the lead – and the pain – of developing the document, with the aid of an SKDC sponsored Consultant. Tim will be very grateful for your demonstrations of support!



Questions were also raised by the Group, particularly:

- **What if the Parish as a whole cannot agree the Final Plan for submission?** Tim explained, recognising that it would be impossible to please all Parishioners, that when the Draft Document has been circulated widely for comment, it would need approval by 51% of the respondents. He does need to demonstrate that the broad Parish has been included in the development and proposed final document. This is why we are going “all out” to invite each and everyone of the Residents and Businesses of the Parish to become involved and participate in the growth of the Plan.
- **How do we know what Planning Developments are currently proposed?** This question falls into Karri’s court! On behalf of the GG Parish Council, she is currently developing a comprehensive schedule from SKDC data. This will be mapped out and presented to the Parish Council at their next Meeting – Monday 07 Apr 25 at the Memorial Hall on Belton Lane. Parishioners are welcome to attend that Meeting, where

they will be free to request information from 7.15 pm until 7.45 pm. This information can then be shared.

Thanks were given to Gary Marsh for the Charlie Mascot and Leaflet Design, to Ben Stevens for sponsoring the last print of Leaflets and to our Leaflet Delivery Volunteers.

It is appreciated that the meeting was a late start – 8.00 pm being the earliest availability for the large hall. Tim is minded to make efforts to offer different days and times for Meetings as the Plan develops, with a view to accessibility for those unable to make Thursday evenings or late Sessions.

However – the next Meeting is already booked at the Great Gonerby Social Club on Thursday 10th April 25 at 8.00 pm – **Environmental Session 2**. We hope you will be able to join us.